



Congratulations Madison Harrelson!

Madison Harrelson was in Austin, Texas in 2001, shortly after she moved to North Carolina and then to an Antonio in 2003 finally to return to "home" in Austin in 2013. She will graduate from Lake Travis high School in May and Attend Texas Tech University in the fall where she will major in Business. Her parents are Wendi Harrelson and Dr. Steve & Michele Harrelson, she has one sister Austyn who is a sophomore at Lake Travis High School. Madison has been very active in Lake Hills Church and has served as a youth summer counselor. She is also Kardivas mentor, nanny, and intern at Corrective Chiropractic. She loves her friends, family, enjoys traveling, and looks forward to her college experience.

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Hill Country Galleria May Events & Happenings

SATURDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES

Saturdays, May 4, 11, 18, 25 and June 1 at 7 p.m.

Hill Country Galleria is wrapping up its popular Saturday Night Concert Series in the Central Plaza with the last show on June 1. The series will continue in the fall from September 14 through October 12. Guests can sit back, relax and enjoy this free event with family and friends on the Central Plaza. Guests are encouraged to bring blankets or chairs to lounge on the grassy lawn during the show and arrive early to shop and dine at Hill Country Galleria retailers and even get their meal delivered straight to the Central Plaza. Austin City Limits Radio will be the host. Events are free and open to the public and dogs are welcome.

May Lineup

May 11 - Chubby Knuckle Choir

The Chubby Knuckle Choir officially formed in 2009 in Bastrop, Texas, a town which each band member has called home at one time or another. The original members include Perry Lowe, Tres Womack, and Rory Smith, singer-songwriters and multi-instrumentalists who all come from varying musical and geographical backgrounds; the result is a freewheeling live sound which blends country, bluegrass, R&B, and swamp blues. In the past five years, this creative group has earned comparisons to acts like The Gourds, the Wood Brothers, and Asylum Street Spankers, and has steadily built a dedicated fan base that's drawn to the Choir's joyful noise.

While other musicians stay beholden to genre and specific song arrangements, The Chubby Knuckle Choir's music changes with every performance. It's this spontaneity and constant willingness to experiment musically that makes them one of the most unique and compelling bands in Texas today.

May 18 - Mayeux & Broussard

Mayeux was born in Monroe, Louisiana, and raised in the Texas hill country. A far-out front-porch philosopher with a lazy drawl, Mayeux writes songs with a blissful haze that harkens back to the cosmic cowboys of Austin's psychedelic past. And there's Broussard, who hails from the Gulf Coast refinery town of Port Arthur, TX. A well-honed musician with serious guitar chops, Broussard grew up on blues, jazz, and his Grandma's zydeco records. He writes hard-edged songs with a swampy, dirty stomp and gut-wrenching realness. While they're no strangers to small-town honky-tonks and dancehalls, Mayeux and Broussard play with a gritty intensity that makes them stand out like a sore thumb from most of the Texas country music scene, as exemplified by the eccentric lineup of a recent hometown show - a bill with Austin metal-heads The Sword at the well-known indie rock venue Emo's.

May 25 - Dale Watson

Dale Watson, keeper of the true country music flame, latest album "Call Me Insane," was recorded in Austin with veteran producer (Continued on Page 4)

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Lloyd Maines (Robert Earl Keen, Jerry Jeff Walker, etc.). The Austin-based honky-tonker carries on in the tradition of Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings and Willie Nelson with his "Ameripolitan" brand of American roots music. Since the release of El Rancho Azul in 2013, Watson's profile has risen considerably via appearances on The Late Show with David Letterman (CBS), Austin City Limits and The Sun Sessions (PBS) and as a guest on NPR's Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me. A veteran touring artist and consummate entertainer, he is on the road more than 300 days a year. He also put his money where his heart is and took over ownership of two struggling Texas honky-tonks, the Little Longhorn Saloon in Austin (home of Chicken \$#!+ Bingo) and The Big T Roadhouse in St. Hedwigs (outside San Antonio). If not on the road, he and His Lone Stars perform at one of them each Sunday.

June 1 - Dawn & Hawkes

The last Saturday night concert of the season will feature Dawn & Hawkes. Dawn & Hawkes initial duo effort, Golden Heart, climbed to No. 25 in Billboard's Folk chart, landed at No. 2 in iTunes singer-songwriter albums and kicked off a whirlwind of cross-country touring and co-writing. They recorded their second album, Yours and Mine, in between tour dates with influential artists Alison Krauss & Dan Tyminski, Patty Griffin, Old 97s, Robert

Earl Keen and showcased at festivals like Austin City Limits, Folk Alliance, AmericanaFest, South By Southwest and TEDx on tours in the US and abroad in Denmark, Germany and Australia. Though not without moments of sobering reflection, Yours and Mine is a celebration of life's genuinely beautiful moments that make us want to take another breath and another step – despite uncertainty. Acoustic Guitar hails the musicality of Yours and Mine as "impeccable vocal harmonies and instrumentation," and Huffington Post summarizes: "Transcendent alternative-folk — you will find yourself craving more from this amazing, dynamic duo."

MAY WINE WALK

Thursday, May 9 from 5 to 9 p.m.

Hill Country Galleria is hosting its monthly Wine Walk on May 9 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. This event is open to everyone and perfect to bring family, friends or a date for a fun way to spend a Thursday evening, shopping various retailers and discovering great wines. Participants will start at Twin Liquors to pick up a map that is both a guide to the walk and a ticket for each wine walk stop. The Wine Walk's last stop will be a restaurant so wine-walkers can sit down and end their walk with dinner. May Wine Walk stops include YOGA & GOGA, H&M, Lure by Y&F, fab'rik, The Ginger Man, and more.

FREE COMMUNITY YOGA CLASS ON THE LAWN

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Sunday, May 19 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

YOGA & GOGA at Hill Country Galleria is hosting a free community yoga class on the Central Plaza lawn starting at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 19. Guests will enjoy a 60-minute regular yoga class followed by a reception of refreshments and raffle prizes at the YOGA & GOGA studio (in S-115 near Whole Foods) after class. Ages 8+ are welcome with a parent or guardian and reservations for the free spots are highly encouraged by signing up HERE. Raffle prizes at the reception include items from Kendra Scott, an Elite Core pilates session, GOGA Goat Yoga gift certificates, a one month unlimited yoga membership to the studio, and more.

GOAT YOGA AT YOGA & GOGA

Saturday, May 11 and 25 at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 12 p.m.

Hill Country Galleria will be hosting goat yoga at YOGA & GOGA on Saturday, May 11 and 25 at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., and 12 p.m. Tickets are required for each person attending classes, regardless of age. Only those participating in class with a ticket will be allowed inside the studio during the classes. Unlimited monthly members at YOGA & GOGA may show up to any of the times listed above. This event will benefit SAFE Austin, with 100% of proceeds from t-shirt sales being donated to the organization. The studio is located at S-115, two doors down from Chisos Grill. Participants will need

to bring their own mats, sign a waiver and photo release prior to participating in class, and have a ticket to enter the studio. Tickets can be purchased HERE.

PUBLIC SAFETY MEMORIAL WEEK CELEBRATION Saturday, May 18 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

In honor of National Public Safety Memorial Week, the community is invited to join in at Hill Country Galleria's Central Plaza for a hometown celebration with the community's public safety officials. Guests can look forward to meeting the Bee Cave Police Officers & Lake Travis Fire Rescue Team, explore safety vehicles on display, free hot dogs and lemonade compliments of The Ginger Man, fun backyard games and face painting, and more.

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH OPTIONS

Sunday, May 12

Cafe Blue is offering a special buffet of omelets, shrimp, prime ribs, oysters, and more. Pricing is \$41.95 for adults, and \$15.95 for children 12 and under. Now accepting reservations online HERE.

Buenos Aires Cafe is now accepting reservations for Mother's Day brunch, which includes a variety of appetizers, salads, sandwiches, and plated entrees.

The Ginger Man at Hill Country Galleria also offers brunch every weekend from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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PEACE & PIXIEDUST FASHION SHOW

Tuesday, May 7 at 7 p.m.

On Tuesday, May 7 at 7 p.m., Hill Country Galleria will be hosting the Peace & Pixiedust Fashion Show in Parking Garage A, Level 4. Guests will enjoy hors d' oeuvres, a silent auction, giveaways and more starting at 7 p.m., with the fashion show to follow at 8 p.m. showcasing stunning fashion and accessories from local boutiques. Tickets are available for advance purchase for \$20 and will benefit beLydia, a non-profit that uses hospitality and awareness to prevent child sex trafficking.

CONTRACOMMON DRINK & DRAW Thursday, May 2 at 7 p.m.

Contracommon is hosting its first Drink & Draw event, where Austin area artists are invited to stop by the studio to hang out, sketch, and have fun. Guests must be 21 or older to enter, BYOB is encouraged.

NOW ENROLLING: THE HIVE SUMMER CAMP Summer Camps from June 10 through August 9

The Bee Cave Arts Foundation's new facility at Hill Country Galleria, The Hive, is now enrolling for its Summer Camp series beginning in June. The Summer Camps will focus on creative and fun ways to explore the world of art, with an emphasis on experimentation, creative thinking, and problem-solving skills. Students will think, plan, play, (Continued on Page 7)



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create, reflect and share their art work at an exhibition at the end of the week. Every week is different and early enrollment is highly encoraged. The Hive hosts exhibitions by professional artists, student art shows and features a kid's imagination area and a classroom for all ages. Those interested in learning more can visit http://beecavearts.org/bc/classes/ summer-art-camp/.

ONGOING: CAMP GLADIATOR FREE WORKOUTS May 4, 11, 18, and 25, 9 at 10 a.m.

Camp Gladiator is hosting anyone over the age of 14 for free workouts in the Galleria's Central Plaza every Saturday. Join Camp Gladiator to experience their boot camp-style community workouts. Recommended to bring water, a towel and a mat.

ONGOING: LONE STAR FARMERS MARKET Sundays, May 5, 12, 19, 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

*Note: Hill Country Galleria will open at 12 p.m. on Sundays, with some restaurants and services opening earlier.

Hill Country Galleria is home to The Lone Star Farmers Market. This event hosts the same great vendors as before and also offer face painting and other kids' activities along with live music. Rain or shine, The Lone Star Farmers Market will be there, providing local produce to the community. More information can be found at www. lonestarfarmersmarket.com.

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