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Killarney Cruise Nights pack the main drag



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BUSY BROADWAY – Sixty-five vintage vehicles, along with a few modern ones, lined downtown Broadway Avenue last Thursday, July 14 for the second Killarney Cruise Night of the season. A long lineup was on hand for the fire department's barbecued burgers and hotdogs, while four-part harmony filled the air. See several more photos from the popular evening on page 6, and mark your calendars for one more show on Thursday, August 11.

Sights & Sounds set to astound festival goers

2nd Annual Sights & Sounds Arts & Music Festival returns to Heritage Home for the Arts July 29 to 31

BY KIM LANGEN

After some outstanding performances last year, the Sights & Sounds Arts & Music Festival is returning to the arts centre grounds next weekend.

The big event includes three days of live music, culture, artisan shopping, and cool food trucks, and will run from Friday, July 29 to Sunday, July 31, said arts administrator Jane Ireland.

"It's going to be fantastic," said Ireland. "Our headliners include Sam Polley and the Old Tomorrows on Friday night – Sam is Jim Cuddy's son (Blue Rodeo), and the opener is Red Moon Road.

Saturday is country artist Jerry Sereda, who is part of the Indigenous tour, and his openers will include a number of emerging artists, and some workshops too. On Sunday it's the Bromantics, an old style swing band, and they open with Banda Taverna, a Brazilian group that plays Irish Celtic music. It is going to be quite a mix!"

An alluring artisan market will also be arranged nearby, at the Agricultural Building area, where a number of creative vendors will be laying out a wide array of items for sale, which include handmade clothing, soaps, beeswax products, hand-woven towels, artwork, botanical ceramics, dyed fabrics, resin jewellery, an arts table featuring works of gallery artists, and much more. Entrance to this market is free.

Near the festival site, food trucks will be parking up with their tempting fare, including the popular Los Brothers and their Mexican menu.

New this year will also be a beer garden, said Ireland, with coolers on offer, and other relaxing items to imbibe...! (Make sure to bring cash for the beer garden and food trucks).

Access to all the events – the festival, the food trucks, and the artisan market – is through the agricultural grounds main entrance on Water Avenue, just south of the art gallery. Access to the Heritage Home for the Arts itself will be closed off, and patrons will enter from the parking lot area in the ag grounds through a gateway.

The food trucks, a canteen run by the grads, the artisan market (with eight vendors), and a children's play area near the food trucks, is all free access to the public, and does not require a festival pass.

In addition, transport to the festival site is being supplied to seniors for free, said Ireland.

"The handi-van is available, for free, to



SAM POLLEY & THE OLD TOMORROWS – Headlining on Friday night at the Sights & Sounds Festival is the Toronto band, Sam Polley and the Old Tomorrows. Sam Polley (seated above) is the son of Jim Cuddy of Blue Rodeo fame. His band draws their sound from 50's and 60's rockabilly licks, old country twang, and even Motown swing.

transport seniors, who can be picked up at their homes," she said. "The service is being sponsored by a kind donor, and to book a ride, people can call me in advance at 1-431-734-0394."

Festival passes (day

and weekend options) are available in advance (best prices are the advance tickets!) from Lewis and Jones, 532 Broadway Ave.; at Heritage Home for the Arts, 44 Water Avenue; and online through Eventbrite.

You can also purchase passes for the day, or weekend, at the gate (cash only).

See more information on the three-day festival on page 2, and visit killarneyguide.ca to share the story.