

Preferred Mutual 32nd Chenango Blues Fest Kicks Off

Norwich, N. Y. – (August 12, 2025) – It's been a great summer of music in Norwich, NY and it's about to get even better. The 32nd Chenango Blues Festival is this weekend with fourteen bands culminating in four-time Grammy winners Los Lobos headlining on Saturday.

Tickets are available online or at the gate and organizers look forward to welcoming fans from throughout the northeast and beyond to their award-winning event. There are still a few RV sites available and plenty of tent camping in the shade – both great ways to be right on the grounds and close to the action.

The unofficial start of the weekend begins at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 14th with a performance by harmonica ace Brandin Santini. He will be followed by double 2025 Blues Music Award winner Sue Foley. Sue won both Traditional Female Artist of the Year and Acoustic Album of the Year so the weekend is starting off with blues royalty.

On Friday the action moves to the Chenango County Fairgrounds with the 2024 Band of the Year winner, the Nick Moss Band headlining the evening. Misty Blues will make for an impressive start to the evening and Jimmy Hall, of Wet Willie and Jeff Beck fame, will keep things rocking.

Saturday, August 16th will be anchored by Los Lobos. Celebrating fifty years of genre defying music with an all-original lineup, Los Lobos gathers their influences from across the musical spectrum. From blues to Tex-Mex to rock-n-roll – it's all there. Preceding them on the Infield Stage are Joanne Shaw Taylor, DK Harrell and Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne. The Tent Stage is similarly stacked with blues rocker Ally Venable, gospel icons The Legendary Ingramettes, supergroup DeSoto Tigers Testimony and Chris Thomas King. The days action kicks off at a new early start time of 11:00 A.M. with Tom Townsleys tribute to Chess Records with Jess Sheldon taking a guest turn. Don't miss your chance to enjoy the musical highlight of the summer. The Chenango Blues Festival has a "By Fans, For Fans" vibe, it's family friendly and there are great food and craft vendors on site. Information on the festival can be found on the groups' website at www.chenangobluesfest.org

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