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JULY 4—THE ARTIE SHAW ORCHESTRA

The classic sounds of Big Band and Swing come together as the Artie Shaw Orchestra kicks off the L.L.Bean Summer Concert Series. The Artie Shaw Orchestra, whose heyday was in the '30's and '40's, produced some of the era's most danceable songs including favorites such as Star Dust and Begin the Beguine. www.artieshaw.com

JULY 8—LEON REDBONE

The iconic jazz and blues performer is known as much for his aura of mystery as his unique blend of performance, comedy, and skilled instrumentals. Redbone has released approximately a dozen albums and earned a cult-like fan community who will travel significant distances to hear him perform. www.leonredbone.com



JULY 15—BIG SANDY & HIS FLY RITE BOYS

Rockabilly Hall of Famers, Big Sandy & His Fly Rite Boys, perform a blend of suave, swinging classic country, rockabilly, hillbilly boogie and more. Inspired by the rockabilly revival of the early '80's, the group has toured extensively and has performed at the Grand Ole Opry and appeared on Late Night with Conan O'Brien. www.bigsandy.net



JULY 22—TERRANCE SIMIEN & THE ZYDECO EXPERIENCE

Simien's performances are legendary and his artistry has taken the music that has become synonymous with the cultural identity of Louisiana to a whole new level. Simien effortlessly fuses other genres with his indigenous sound creating multicultural connections all over the globe. Terrance Simien is "One of Louisiana's favorite sons" says USA Today, "and "A Zydeco Master" says Rolling Stone. www.terrancesimien.com



JULY 29—LESLEY GORE

The most commercially successful solo artist of the "Girl Group" era of the 60's, Gore is known for such chart-topping hits as "It's My Party," "You Don't Own Me," and the Academy-Award nominated "Out Here on My Own" from the movie Fame. Gore continues to tour at major venues across the country, bringing the wisdom and artistic vocals of a seasoned performer to each of her concerts. www.lesleygore.com



AUGUST 5—RUTHIE FOSTER

Ruthie Foster is a powerful performer who fuses blues, gospel, roots and folk music. Often compared to the legendary Aretha Franklin and Ella Fitzgerald, her soulful voice and powerful delivery have gained her critical acclaim. Philadelphia City Paper says, "The energy she brings with just voice and guitar is stunning. . . it's impossible to look away, even close the eyes, for one second." www.ruthiefoster.com



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AUGUST 12—NEW BIRTH BRASS BAND



At the forefront of the current New Orleans brass band renaissance, The New Birth Brass Band fuses hip-hop, Mardi Gras Indian chants, funk, and modern jazz with age old traditional sounds. Although all are under 30, the members of New Birth are all jazz veterans and have played with everyone from Wynton Marsalis to Dizzy Gillespie. The group has recently gained national acclaim with features on MTV and articles in several high profile national publications. www.newbirthbrass.com

AUGUST 19—SISTER HAZEL

It's been 10 years and over a million records sold for Sister Hazel since the group's five distinct personalities came together in the vibrant Florida college town of Gainesville. At the time the Southeast was a place more of camaraderie than competition, and Sister Hazel worked out of the area in concentric circles quickly establishing a reputation as one of the strongest, most consistent draws of the grassroots circuit. www.sisterhazel.com



AUGUST 26—STEVE RILEY & THE MAMOU PLAYBOYS



Steve Riley & the Mamou Playboys are in the coveted position of filling dancehalls in Louisiana and selling out performance venues around the world. They are the vanguard of innovation in the music of their Cajun culture. www.mamouplayboys.com

SEPTEMBER 2—PETER CINCOTTI

The 22-year-old singer, pianist, composer and arranger, became one of the hottest sensations to hit the scene in 2003, when his self-titled, critically acclaimed debut CD hit the top of the Billboard charts. The New York Times declared Peter "one of the most promising of singer-pianists of the next generation." www.petercincotti.com



SEPTEMBER 3— MAINE'S FRANCO HERITAGE CELEBRATION WITH THE PINELAND FIDDLERS & BORÉAL TORDU FEATURING LES PIEDS RIGOLANTS DANCERS



The Pineland Fiddlers is a group of accomplished teen fiddlers who amaze with their technique and spirit. Boréal Tordu plays an original blend of Acadian folk, Cajun swing, Maritime ballads, crooked fiddle tunes and foot-stomping French dance music. "Les Pieds Rigolants" (The Giggling Feet) is an ensemble of young dancers whose specialty is the percussive dance style of French Canada known as la gigue; the Irish jig style from which it derives its name.

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Your lawn chair is your ticket to fun this summer at the L.L.Bean Summer Concert Series. Beginning July 4 and every Saturday evening throughout the summer L.L.Bean's Discovery Park will be transformed into a stage for world-class performances. Your reader's will want to pack a picnic, find a great spot on the lawn and settle in for an evening of free music under the stars!



All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. in Discovery Park, located just outside the L.L.Bean Flagship Store in Freeport, Maine. For directions to the store or for more information, call us at 800.559.0747, ext. 37222, or visit us at llbean.com/stores.



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