

LEBANON OPERA HOUSE PRESENTS

NEXUS

music and arts festival

It's showtime!

After months of intense planning, it's time for Lebanon Opera House's highly anticipated party of the summer! As with last year's inaugural festival, Nexus has been designed as a FREE family-friendly, immersive three-day experience with activities scheduled sequentially in Colburn Park, on the Main Stage located behind LOH, on the pedestrian mall, and in the rail trail tunnel.



Clowning around with Acrobuffos at Nexus '21

Flip through this guide to see the full schedule of outdoor performances from dozens of eclectic artists — a mix of regional touring artists, LOH's Upper Valley arts partners, and local students — all featured alongside displays of public art and al fresco dining.

Nexus embodies the things we value most at LOH: providing broad accessibility to the arts, creating a

professional and friendly atmosphere, and sparking joy and delight in our community. I hope you'll be delighted by flashes of creativity at every turn and, perhaps, discover your next favorite artist.

Thanks to the generosity of the sponsors listed on page 5, that kind of artistic exploration is FREE and open to all members of our community. Please consider your own tax-deductible gift in support of Lebanon Opera House. As an independent nonprofit organization, we acknowledge that every dollar raised really does make a difference.

This weekend's festivities serve as an epic kick-off to LOH's 2022/2023 season and we hope you'll return to downtown Lebanon to experience the thrill of live performance on the LOH stage. Check out the back page for a snapshot of our exciting fall season which launches on August 31 with *One Night of Queen*, a rousing tribute to the rock legends.

Here's to an amazing weekend,

Joe Clifford
Executive Director
Lebanon Opera House

GIVE FIVE TO KEEP NEXUS ALIVE!

Show your support of the Upper Valley's community arts hub

At LOH our mission is to connect artists and audiences, making it possible for people of all ages to experience the transformative power of the performing arts. For the second year, we've committed to making Nexus a FREE event that's accessible to everyone in our community — but it comes at a cost.

Thanks to the generous support of early donors, we've raised \$35,000 toward our \$50,000 goal. **Please help us close the gap this weekend by tossing \$5 into our donation buckets.** If everyone in attendance contributes \$5, we'll hit our \$15,000 goal by Sunday night.

No cash? No problem! Go to **lebanonoperahouse.org/donate** or use your phone to scan the QR code below.



SCAN ME

Friday, August 12

11:00 am–5:00 pm • Bank Street (across from Colburn Park)
Explore visual art exhibitions at **AVA Gallery & Art Center**

» **1:30–2:45 pm • Colburn Park**
Open bluegrass jam session with **The HillBenders**

» **2:00–6:00 pm • Colburn Park**
AVA's Community Arts Open Studio (CAOS)
Art-making activities for families

» **3:00–7:00 pm • Colburn Park**
Play Zone games provided by Lebanon Recreation

» **4:00–5:00 pm • Colburn Park**
Community sing-along with **Alex Cumming**
from Revels North

5:15–6:30 pm • Main Stage
The HillBenders performance

6:45–7:45 pm • Colburn Park
Western Terrestrials performance

8:00–9:30 pm • Main Stage
Bette Smith performance



» **9:30–11:00 pm • Rail Trail Tunnel**
DJ Troy Supreme: Silent Disco dance party!
Space is limited: \$15 fee applies

Find your stage:

Main Stage: behind LOH/City Hall
Colburn Park: across from LOH/City Hall
Pedestrian Mall: between Three Tomatoes Trattoria & Village Pizza
Busker Stage: on Pedestrian Mall
Rail Trail Tunnel: underneath Village Pizza



The HillBenders: WhoGrass

Friday at 5:15 pm

The Who's legendary anthems played as irresistible bluegrass-meets-rock mashups



Bette Smith

Friday at 8:00 pm

"The next big-voiced soul sensation out of Brooklyn"
(Mojo)

Saturday, August 13

11:00 am-5:00 pm • Bank Street (across from Colburn Park)
Explore visual art exhibitions at **AVA Gallery & Art Center**

12:00-12:30 pm • Busker Stage
Upper Valley Music Center (UVMC)
string students performance

12:00-3:30 pm • Pedestrian Mall
City Center Ballet studio tours, costume/prop exhibit

12:30-1:30 pm • Busker Stage
Tango lesson w/**Keysi Montás** – no experience needed!

1:30-2:30 pm • Busker Stage
LADAMA jam session – sing and play along

2:00-3:30 pm • Colburn Park
Sewam American Indian Dance workshop – no experience needed!

2:00-6:00 pm • Colburn Park
AVA's Community Arts Open Studio (CAOS)
Art-making activities for families

2:30-3:30 pm • Busker Stage
UVMC traditional folk music performance and jam session

3:00-7:00 pm • Colburn Park
Play Zone games provided by Lebanon Recreation

3:30 pm • Pedestrian Mall
UVMC students lead processional through Rail Trail Tunnel into Colburn Park

4:00-5:00 pm • Colburn Park
Sewam American Indian Dance performance

5:15-6:30 pm • Main Stage
LADAMA performance

6:45-7:45 pm • Colburn Park
Senie Hunt performance

8:00-9:30 pm • Main Stage
Battle of Santiago performance



LADAMA

Saturday at 5:15 pm

"Energizing and undeniably danceable" (NPR) Latin Alternative music



Battle of Santiago

Saturday at 8:00 pm

Juno-nominated band infuses Afro-Cuban rhythms with a post-rock sensibility

Sunday, August 14

» 12:00–2:30 pm • Colburn Park
Sewam American Indian Dance
Workshops (see sidebar)

12:00–3:30 pm • Pedestrian Mall
City Center Ballet studio tours, costume/prop exhibit

12:00–5:00 pm • Bank Street (across from Colburn Park)
Explore visual art exhibitions at **AVA Gallery & Art Center**

1:30–2:00 pm • Busker Stage
North Country Chordsmen *a cappella* showcase

2:00–2:30 pm • Busker Stage
VOXStars *a cappella* showcase

3:00–4:00 pm • Busker Stage
Jazz vocalist **Grace Wallace** w/guitarist **Ed Eastridge**

» 3:00–7:00 pm • Colburn Park
Play Zone games provided by Lebanon Recreation

4:00–5:00 pm • Colburn Park
Mikahely performance

5:15–6:30 pm • Main Stage
Jocelyn & Chris performance

6:45–7:45 pm • Colburn Park
Shy Husky performance

8:00–9:30 pm • Main Stage
Fast Times performance

» **Sewam American Indian Dance • Colburn Park**

12:00–1:00 pm
Regalia discussion and arts workshop

1:00–1:30 pm
Hoop dance workshop

1:30–2:00 pm
Women’s fancy dance workshop

2:00–2:30 pm
Men’s fancy dance workshop



Jocelyn & Chris

Sunday at 5:15 pm

A dose of “pure American rock goodness” from siblings hell-bent on inciting a new rock revival

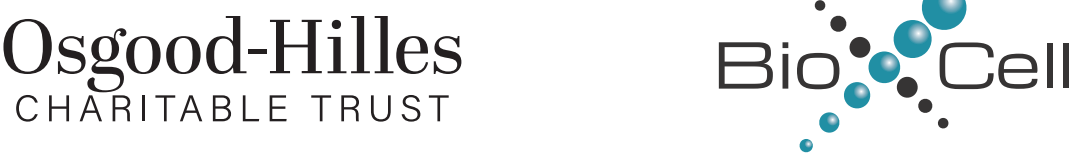


Fast Times

Sunday at 8:00 pm

Close out your Nexus experience with a tribute to the music of the '80s — from Def Leppard to Duran Duran!

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Alex Cumming

Friday at 4:00 pm

A spirited community
sing-along with Revels North's
new Music Director



Western
Terrestrials

Saturday at 6:45 pm

Country music outsiders serve
up a unique blend of gospel,
cow punk, and rock

A big round of applause to these fine folks...

LEBANON OPERA HOUSE STAFF

Joe Clifford	Laura Jean Gilloux
Brian Cook	Maureen Krauland
Lauren “Duff” Cummings	Lucas Mendelsohn
Joel Giguere	Claire Swanson

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Michael Bellefeuille	Mike Mitrano
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Dan Merlo	Ethan Williams

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER CREW CAPTAINS

Sharon Brown*	Steve Monteverdi
George Caccavaro*	Christine Morin*
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Bill Hale	

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

AVA Gallery; City Center Ballet; Lebanon Recreation, Arts, and Parks; New England School of the Arts; North Country Chordsmen; Revels North; Trumbull Hall Troupe; Upper Valley Music Center; Youth in Action

*LOH Board Member

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**Sewam
American
Indian Dance**

Saturday and Sunday

Nexus artists-in-residence lead two days of activities showcasing Native American culture



Senie Hunt

Saturday at 6:45 pm

Percussive guitarist uses live looping to capture the rhythms of his West African roots

Planning Your Visit

Festival checklist

- ☐ Walk, bike, or carpool when possible (see below for parking suggestions)
- ☐ Pack a lawn chair or blanket
- ☐ Bring a water bottle (there's a refilling station in Colburn Park)
- ☐ Sunscreen and shades
- ☐ Pack a picnic (no glass or alcohol, please)
- ☐ Bring \$5 to keep Nexus alive (look for the LOH donation buckets)
- ☐ Be patient with your neighbors (respect personal space)

Drop by the LOH Info Tent to learn about upcoming shows, volunteering, and more!

Parking suggestions

The Nexus main stage is located behind City Hall and will occupy the upper parking lot, but there's plenty of room in the lower lot and the Hanover Street lot (near Villiage Pizza). You can also find ample on-street parking on Taylor Street (near CCBA) and Park/School Streets. Overflow parking within walking distance can be found at Logan Field (Water Street) and Storrs Hill ski area (Spring Street).

Grab a bite

Get something to eat from one of the food vendors joining us for Nexus including Black Magic Mexican, Boloco, The Box, and Martha's on a Roll, or head to one of the local restaurants between shows to have a meal! Downtown Lebanon restaurants include Lucky's Coffee Garage, Salt Hill Pub, and Three Tomatoes Trattoria.



Mikahely

Sunday at 4:00 pm

Singer-songwriter from Madagascar creates a unique sound that's out of this world



Shy Husky

Sunday at 6:45 pm

Soaring guitar-driven rock from Upper Valley-based indie band



FALL 2022 @ LOH

To purchase tickets and see a complete list of shows, go to **lebanonoperahouse.org/events** or scan the QR code below.

Wednesday, August 31

One Night of Queen

Gary Mullen & The Works perform a rousing tribute to the legendary rockers

Friday, September 9

Mystic Bowie's Talking Dreads

Talking Heads' art-pop tunes reimagined as rock-steady reggae anthems

Sunday, September 11

Lorrie Morgan

Grammy-nominated country music singer and member of the Grand Ole Opry

Tuesday, September 20

An Evening with Cowboy Junkies

A mesmerizing live performance from the renowned Canadian alt-country/folk rockers

Friday, September 30

Frank Santos, Jr.

Mind-bending fun with the R-rated hypnotist; ages 18+

Saturday, October 1

Black Opry Revue

Emerging Black artists seeking to bring about racial equity in country music

Friday, October 7

The Wood Brothers

"Masters of soulful folk" (*Paste*)

Friday, October 14

The Jacob Jolliff Band

Ex-Joy Kills Sorrow mandolinist is the in-demand player of his generation

