



JOIN US FOR THE TENNESSEE VALLEY OLD TIME FIDDLERS CONCERT SERIES!

The Tennessee Valley Old Time Fiddlers Concert Series was introduced in 2019, with support provided by the Fiddlers Steering Committee, the Livingston Concert/Lecture Series at Athens State University, Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area, the Alabama State Council on the Arts, and the National Endowment of the Arts.

The goal of the Fiddlers Steering Committee remains the same as it did over 50 years ago, which is to continue the tradition and keep old time music alive. This concert series is an attempt to provide year-round entertainment in that effort, all at an affordable cost.

All concerts are held on the Delmore Brothers Stage in historic McCandless Hall on the campus of Athens State University in Athens, Alabama.



TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 6
7 PM | McCANDLESS HALL

AUTHENTIC UNLIMITED

Please join us for our first concert as part of the 2022-2023 Series, as **Authentic Unlimited** takes the stage! A relatively new band, Authentic Unlimited consists of three former members of Doyle Lawson's band, Quicksilver – Jerry Cole, Eli Johnston, and Stephen Burwell – along with a pair of top free agents – John Meador and Jesse Brock.

With a motto of "Excellence in Music," Authentic Unlimited aims to bring joyful sounds to music enthusiasts across the nation and beyond.

- Jerry Cole on bass and vocals
- Eli Johnston on banjo and vocals
- John Meador on guitar and vocals
- Jesse Brock on mandolin and vocals
- Stephen Burwell on fiddle

\$15 (Adult) | **\$5** (Under 18)

GET THE Family, Friends, Fiddlers SEASON PASS!



ONE TICKET TO
ALL SIX CONCERTS
(plus any other concerts added to
the series through October 2023)



ONE WEEKEND PASS TO
2023 CONVENTION

\$125

Open Seating in McCandless Hall

OR

\$150

Reserved Seating in McCandless Hall*

**Due to high demand, reserved seats not claimed
by the beginning of the concert will be released.*

Individual Tickets
and Season Passes
now available online!

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CONCERT SERIES

2022 - 2023

Enjoy Old Time Music Year-Round

Featuring:
Authentic Unlimited
Russell Moore & Illrd Tyme Out
Wanda Vick & Friends
Rob Ickes & Trey Hensley
Blue Highway
Larry Sparks & the Lonesome Ramblers

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THURSDAY,
JANUARY 26
7 PM | McCANDLESS HALL



**RUSSELL MOORE &
Illrd TYME OUT**

For over 30 years, Russell Moore & Illrd Tyme Out have been touring and releasing great, original bluegrass music. After spending a handful of formative years as a member of Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver (and recording some legendary bluegrass music in the process), Russell Moore formed Illrd Tyme Out in 1991, and bluegrass music hasn't been the same since. Illrd Tyme Out helped usher in a new era of youthful, energetic bluegrass and established a unique sound that has lasted well into the 21st century. Three decades later, Russell Moore & Illrd Tyme Out are one of bluegrass music's most-awarded touring bands with over 50 industry accolades to their credit. In 2019, Moore received his 6th Male Vocalist of the Year award from IBMA, maintaining the record as their most awarded in that category.

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TUESDAY,
MARCH 21
7 PM | McCANDLESS HALL



**WANDA VICK
& FRIENDS**

Once called the "Jill of all strings" by People Magazine, multi-instrumentalist Wanda Vick (Burchfield) has been living the musician's dream since the 1980s in Nashville. A sought-after studio musician, she has recorded for an impressive list of artists in Country, Gospel, and Pop, including Taylor Swift, Jason Aldean with Alabama, Billy Ray Cyrus, George Jones, Dolly Parton, Wynonna, and many more. In the mid-eighties, Vick established Country's first all-female band to receive national recognition. "The Right Combination" was a six-piece, all-girl band formed to back country legend Porter Wagoner. In the late 80s, Wanda formed another all-girl band with the hopes to land a major recording contract. "Wild Rose" was the fulfillment of the vision Wanda had and was quite successful, going on to tour worldwide and being featured on numerous television shows.

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THURSDAY,
MAY 11
7 PM | McCANDLESS HALL



**ROB ICKES &
TREY HENSLEY**

Take a 15-time IBMA Dobro Player of the Year and a Tennessee-born guitar prodigy who made his Grand Ole Opry debut at the age of 11, and you have Rob Ickes and Trey Hensley, a powerhouse acoustic duo that has electrified the acoustic music scene. Known for their white-hot picking, stone country vocals with soul and world-class live musicianship, Ickes and Hensley meld together blues, bluegrass, country, rock, and other string band music of all kinds to form a signature blend of music that defies restrictions of genre. They are equally at home on stages of prestigious performing arts centers, theatres, and the Grand Ole Opry as they are on Americana, jamgrass, bluegrass, and jam band festivals.

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THURSDAY,
JULY 13
7 PM | McCANDLESS HALL



**BLUE
HIGHWAY**

In 2023, the highly-esteemed Blue Highway celebrates 29 years of touring, with four of the original members still intact. The band has earned a collective 32 IBMA Awards, six SPBGMA Awards, one Dove Award, plus three Grammy nominations. The band was nominated for IBMA's 2021 and 2020 Vocal Group of the Year and Song of the Year awards. In addition, the band held the spot for #1 album in the nation for seven consecutive months in 2014 with "The Game." As momentum continues to build for the quarter-century-strong powerhouse band, Blue Highway is rolling on with a rich legacy and three powerhouse songwriters, instrumentalists, and vocalists in Tim Stafford, Wayne Taylor, and Shawn Lane, whose harmonies soar over the dynamic banjo of Jason Burleson and the tasteful dobro of Gary Hultman.

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THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 28
7 PM | McCANDLESS HALL



**LARRY SPARKS &
THE LONESOME RAMBLERS**

Larry Sparks is a dedicated leader for bluegrass music. Larry is among the most widely known and respected touring musicians in bluegrass and gospel music today. He began his career in the mid-1960s as a guitarist with the Stanley Brothers and later became lead vocalist for Ralph Stanley and the Clinch Mountain Boys. Larry went on to form his own band in 1969, The Lonesome Ramblers. He has recorded and toured with his band for nearly 50 years, releasing over 60 albums and delighting countless fans with his soulful vocals and unparalleled musicianship.

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