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**Music Fills The Streets Of Downtown Alpharetta
At The 6th Annual Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival**
A Two-Day, FREE Festival with Five Stages and Over 20 Artists, Oct 12-13

Alpharetta, Ga. – [The Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival](#) returns to downtown Alpharetta, Ga. for its sixth year on Oct.12 - 13, 2018. Headliners will include Robert Randolph & The Family Band, Justin Townes Earle, Dan Wilson and Glen Phillips. The 2-day event, that starts at 5 p.m. each day, will be free to the public this year.

The Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival brings nationally and locally recognized singer-songwriters together, giving music lovers a behind-the-scenes look at the stories that have inspired many musical genres. **The Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival** takes place at multiple outdoor venues throughout downtown Alpharetta, making this a beloved, family-friendly weekend event. Attendees will experience renowned veteran songsmiths and local up-and-coming talent as music fills the streets.

Robert Randolph, who has been called the Jimi Hendrix of pedal steel guitar, will perform Saturday night on the main stage. **Justin Townes Earle's** songwriting pedigree is undeniable: he is Steve Earle's son and is named after Townes Van Zant is sure to deliver a deeply soulful set. **Dan Wilson**, of the band **Semisonic**, will perform his show "Words & Music by Dan Wilson" featuring an evening of songs and stories that pull back the curtain on the art of songwriting. **Glen Phillips** formed **Toad the Wet Sprocket** in high school which became internationally famous for hits including "Walk On The Ocean" and "All I Want" which festival goers will be sure to hear.

Additional artists confirmed to perform at the sixth annual **Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival** include **The Sundogs, Alex Guthrie, Eliot Bronson, Yesterday's Wine** featuring Wyatt Durette and Levi Lowrey, **Chasing Lovely, Davin McCoy, Hannah Thomas, The Last Chance Riders, Wesley Cook, The Mosley's, Jennifer Lynn Simpson, The Bittersweets, Across The Wide, Cat Ridgeway, ESOEBO, Avery Gipson and Cat Carter.**

"This year's Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival is shaping up to be one of the best yet," said Morgan Rodgers, Director of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services for the City of Alpharetta. "We have

an incredible line-up of artists that are going to put on spectacular shows. And with the development of Downtown Alpharetta's City Center, it has opened up new possibilities of venues and activities for the event."

With five unique shopping districts, more than 200 restaurants and one-of-a-kind attractions, it is easy to hit the right note with a weekend getaway to **The Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival**. Visitors and residents can turn up the volume on this music weekend with concert happenings taking place across downtown Alpharetta stages.

"Since its debut in 2013, the Wire & Wood Songwriters Festival has been a terrific way for nationally recognized singer-songwriters to connect with the community and share the stories behind the songs while also showcasing Alpharetta's vibrant and growing music scene," said Janet Rodgers, president and CEO of the Alpharetta Convention & Visitors Bureau. "We are also excited that the event will be free this year allowing more visitors and residents to come out and enjoy great music."

2018 Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival Schedule

Friday, Oct 12

Main Stage on Milton

5 p.m. The Last Chance Riders
7:15 p.m. The Sundogs
9:30 p.m. Alex Guthrie

City Center stage

5 p.m. ESOEB0/Kate Coleman
6:30 p.m. Yesterday's Wine: featuring Wyatt Durrette and Levi Lowrey
8:15 p.m. Davin McCoy

Shade Garden stage

5:15 p.m. Avery Gipson/Hannah Thomas
6:45 p.m. The Bittersweets
8:15 p.m. Eliot Bronson

South Main Alley stage

5 p.m. Jennifer Lynn Simpson/Wesley Cook
6:30 p.m. The Mosleys
8 p.m. Chasing Lovely

Ceviche stage

6:15 p.m. Cat Carter & Cat Ridgeway
8:30 p.m. Across the Wide
10:45 p.m. Late Night Jam: Davin McCoy/Jennifer Lynn Simpson

You Rock in the Park (Located at the Corner of Milton Ave. & Hwy 9)

Bach to Rock presents:

Guitar 101 – 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Drum Circle – 8:45 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

Saturday, Oct 13

Main Stage on Milton

5 p.m. Eliot Bronson
7:15 p.m. The Last Chance Riders
9:30 p.m. **Robert Randolph and the Family Band**

City Center stage

5 p.m. **Glen Phillips**
6:30 p.m. **Dan Wilson**
8 p.m. **Justin Townes Earle**

Shade Garden stage

5 p.m. Cat Ridgeway/Jennifer Lynn Simpson
6:10 p.m. The Mosleys
7:20 p.m. Chasing Lovely/Kate Coleman
8:30 p.m. Yesterday's Wine: featuring Wyatt Durrette and Levi Lowrey

South Main Alley stage

5 p.m. Cat Carter/Avery Gipson
6:10 p.m. The Bittersweets
7:20 p.m. Alex Guthrie
8:30 p.m. Hannah Thomas/Wesley Cook

Ceviche Stage

6:15 p.m. ESOEBO
8:30 p.m. Across the Wide
10:50 p.m. Late Night Jam: Alex Guthrie (solo)

You Rock in the Park (Located at the Corner of Milton Ave. & Hwy 9)

Drum Circle – 6:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Ukulele Workshop – 8:45 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

For more information about The Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival, visit awesomealpharetta.com. The Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festival is presented by the City of Alpharetta and the Alpharetta Convention & Visitors Bureau.

To view additional photos from past **Wire & Wood Alpharetta Songwriters Festivals** and 2018 headliner artist photos and bios visit:

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Alpharetta Convention and Visitors Bureau

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