

All-Day Music and More at Westport's Blues, Views & BBQ Festival Saturday, Sunday

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Soulful, Southern-inspired food, music and family fun are happening at the 11th annual Blues Views & BBQ Festival this Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 1 and 2, at the Levitt Pavilion for the Performing Arts in downtown Westport.

[Tickets and two-day passes are on sale now.](#)

This year's festival in Westport will feature 20 bands, including headlining performances on the Epstein Stage at the Levitt Pavilion — from funk powerhouses Karl Denson's Tiny Universe and Grammy Award Winner Fantastic Negrito.

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Blues, Views and BBQ is also known for introducing up and coming and local talent along with marquee headliners. In that same tradition, this year welcomes first time performers Carolyn Wonderland, Mingo Fishtrap, and Big Sam's Funky Nation. <https://darienite.com> by Velle & Soulphonics.

Family Fun With the Music

Enjoy hours of family fun at the famous Imperial Jam with the bounce park, Touch a Truck, airbrush tattoos, pie and rib eating contests and the second stage showcasing local and family friendly musical entertainment all day long.

Don't miss the KCBS BBQ competition, and CTBites returns with cooking demos providing culinary inspiration. There will be plenty of food to satisfy every appetite.

The Lineup

The 2018 Lineup Includes:

KARL DENSON'S TINY UNIVERSE

FANTASTIC NEGRITO

SISTER SPARROW & THE DITRY BIRDS

CAROLYN WONDERLAND

MINGO FISHTRAP

BIG SAM'S FUNKY NATION

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ERIC KRASNO BAND

RUBY VELLE & THE SOULPHONICS

CRIS JACOBS BAND

BILL KIRCHEN

ROCKY LAWRENCE AND THE COFFEE GRINDERS & MORE!

SHAWN TAYLOR AND WANDERING ROOTS

SATURDAY, SEPT 1

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SISTER SPARROW & THE DITRY BIRDS

MINGO FISHTRAP

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SUNDAY, SEPT 2:

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CAROLYN WONDERLAND

BIG SAM'S FUNKY NATION

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BILL KIRCHEN

ROCKY LAWRENCE AND THE COFFEE GRINDERS

The Expanded Imperial Jam will consists of two stages this year, including a Kids Music Stage! Come catch some of the best local music around on the Imperial Jam Stage with performances from:

Saturday Sept. 1:

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. — Dan Stevens

12:45-1:45 p.m. — Shiny Lapel Trio

2:05-3:05 p.m. — Hitch & The Giddy Up

3:30-4:30 p.m. — Tracy Jo & The Toads

4:50-6 p.m. — Jake Kulak

6:30-8 p.m. — Mighty Soul Drivers

Sunday, Sept. 2:

11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. — School of Rock

3:30-4:30 p.m. — Rib & Pie Eating Contest

5-6 p.m. — Remember September

6:30-8 p.m. — The Alpaca Gnomes

The festival is organized by the Westport-Weston Chamber of Commerce and DBD Productions.