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Ferndale Library's Summer Concert Series

Free/All Ages Outdoor Performances

Featuring:

Dani Darling, Chris Bathgate, and Theatre Bizarre Orchestra

June 13, July 18, August 22

Performances for each scheduled event begin at 6:30 pm

More info: fadl.org/upcoming-events

Ferndale Library Kicks-Off Popular Summer Concert Series on June 13 with Dani Darling
Free, all-ages concerts sponsored by the Friends of the Ferndale Library

FERNDALE, MI (May 22, 2023--) The Ferndale Library's annual *Summer Concert Series* returns on June 13 with the first of three performances, brought to you by the Friends of the Ferndale Library. Ann Arbor-based singer/songwriter Dani Darling will perform in the library's courtyard at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, June 13, backed by a full band. These free, all-ages concerts are a great way for music fans to enjoy a nice summer evening and encounter some of Michigan's top-notch talents with songs that span a variety of genres and styles. No registration is required, and attendees are encouraged to bring their own chairs/blankets.

Dani Darling - Tuesday, June 13, at 6:30 pm: Dani Darling is a versatile, psychedelic-soul-styled chanteuse, guitarist, producer, and songwriter from Ann Arbor. Her influences range from Erykah Badu to Radiohead and Old Hollywood movie scores. She blends elements of funk and jazz into a dreamy-atmospheric rock aesthetic. Darling has released several EPs and singles, as well as the critically acclaimed full-length *Future*; she's performed all over the world, from Rome to Paris, New York to Edinburgh, backed by her five-piece band. <https://danidarling.bandcamp.com/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5mBV-XNUqIE>

Chris Bathgate - Tuesday, July 18, at 6:30 pm: Singer/songwriter Chris Bathgate emerged from the Ann Arbor folk scene in 2007, rising to worldwide acclaim (from the BBC to NPR) for his stark, evocative ballads employing the striking resonance of pianos and strings under his compelling vocals. Bathgate has released four subtly epic albums, including the critically acclaimed *Salt Year* and his latest, *The Significance of Peaches*. You'd be hard-pressed to find a more soulful and contemplative folk singer providing poetically wistful words with such a staggering yet vulnerable singing voice.
<https://store.chrisbathgate.org/>

Theatre Bizarre Orchestra - Tuesday, August 22, at 6:30 pm:

The house band for the world's greatest Halloween masquerade (Theatre Bizarre) was formed back in 2014 and is led by musician/arranger/composer and Ferndalian Joshua James. Jazz fans take note: you won't want to miss this performance! And it might be an effective way for all of us to start getting into the Halloween spirit, albeit a bit early. Their sound is an enticing blend of big band jazz and dark carnival, mixing in burlesque, rock & roll, and vaudeville culture to create something altogether enchanting--with just a dash of spooky. <http://www.theatrebizarreorchestra.com/>