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12th ANNUAL BLUES UNDER THE BRIDGE**

# Day-long Festival Draws Fans From Across the Southwest

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – March 12, 2018 – The 12th annual Blues Under the Bridge, designated a signature event by the Colorado Springs Downtown Development Authority, kicks off at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, July 7. Gates to the day-long music festival, held under the bridge at 218 W. Colorado Ave., open at 1 p.m.

Headlining this year’s event are the Los Lobos, the iconic East L.A. band whose mix of rock and roll, blues and Latin music has reached millions, earned them three Grammy awards and nomination for induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2015.

Also featured on stage is the Chris Thomas King Band. King personified blues legend Robert Johnson in the movie “O Brother Where Art Thou.” Also scheduled are Kerry Pastine and The Crime Scene, Grant Sabin and The Juke Joint Highball, and Vegan Wolf.

91.5 KRCC, Colorado College’s NPR-member station, has collaborated with other non-profits and businesses to bring the community what is recognized as a premier blues music festival, attracting music fans from all over Colorado and the U.S.

Other festival features are a silent auction tent to benefit 91.5 KRCC, Bristol Brewing craft beer, wine and spirits, and favorite local food vendors, community sponsors and vendors.

The event also includes a pre-festival party at 7 p.m., Friday, July 6 at The Gold Room, 18 S. Nevada Ave. Featured at this year’s pre-festival party is Chris Thomas King. Tickets are $20, available online at bluesunderthebridge.com and eventbrite.com

**2018 Blues Under the Bridge Schedule:**

1 p.m.: Gates open (see information below on gates and parking)

1:30 to 3 p.m. - Vegan Wolf

3:15 to 4:45 p.m. - Grant Sabin and The Juke Joint Highball

5 to 6:30 p.m. – Kerry Pastine and The Crime Scene

6:45 to 8:15 p.m. – Chris Thomas King Band

8:30 to 10 p.m. – Los Lobos

 **Ticket Information:**

**Tickets go on sale online on April 1, at bluesunderthebridge.com and eventbrite.com, and we suggest you buy early before they sell out!**

* **91. KRCC Members** - $50 general admission. Tickets will be available to purchase online beginning April 1. A ticket fee will be added to order.
* **V.I.P.** - $100 reserved seating section - also includes free parking (limited and first-come-first-served) a tee-shirt, two drink tickets and a meal ticket. **Seating is provided in the V.I.P. section.** Tickets are limited - buy early!
* **General Public** - $60 general admission. Tickets will be available to purchase online only.  Kids under 12 admitted free with an accompanying adult.
* **Pre-Festival Concert and Party, Friday July 6 -**Join us for a solo performance by Chris Thomas King at this **intimate, full bar party venue at the Gold Room** in downtown Colorado Springs.  General admission tickets are $20; on sale April 1. V.I.P. festival ticket holders and first 30 festival ticket holders get in free.
* **At the Gate Day of** - $65, cash or credit cards accepted. An ATM machine will be available at the South Gate entrance (the only entrance).

Complete ticketing info: <https://www.bluesunderthebridge.org/tickets/>

**Parking and Seating:**
Bring your own seating. No pets, or coolers are allowed. Blues Under The Bridge is located at 126 Colorado Ave. in Colorado Springs. Parking is available for $12 per car across the street from the festival on Cimino Dr. Gate opens at 1 p.m. and the music starts at 1:30 p.m. The festival closes at 10 p.m.

A variety of food and beverage vendors participate in the festival, and attendees are encouraged to bring cash for purchases, as not all vendors have credit card capability.

Please note that the media contact for this event is Danna Tullis: dannatullis1@gmail.com; 303-916-5711 and [complete information is available online.](https://www.bluesunderthebridge.org/info/)

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