

FLATLAND BLUES FESTIVAL TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Tickets are currently available for the Flatland Blues Festival taking place in Russell on Saturday and Sunday, June 4th and 5th. The location of the festival is at the Russell County Fair Grasslands and Memorial Park.

Advance tickets may be purchased for \$15.00 at the Deines Cultural Center, Russell Main Street office, U-S-A Express and Klema Apple Market in Russell. In Hays, tickets are available at G-B Records and Doerfler's Harley Davidson, and in Salina and House of Sight and Sound and Salina Harley Davidson. Tickets will be \$20.00 at the gate the day of the Festival. No ticket is necessary for the Sunday morning "Bagels and Blues" gospel service.

Headliners for the Festival include Peter Madcat Ruth, world renowned harmonica/guitar/vocalist from Ann Arbor, Michigan; Kelley Hunt, Kansas-based female blues singer/keyboardist.; Anthony Gomes, Canadian-born cross-cultural electric blues musician; and Carey Bell, Chicago-style Blues harp player and his band. The slate of performers also includes Hays acoustic blues band "Mudbone" and their electric persona, "Code Blue" along with Rick Hill, originally from Hutchinson. Blues/rock band Back Porch Mary based in Austin, Texas will also appear and Wichita story-teller Jean Pouncil-Burton will be part of the festival, as well as other regional performers including Linus Sarver from Osborne.

Bagel's and Blues, Sunday's community gospel service and breakfast will include the Missionary Baptist Church of Nicodemus Choir and Salina Men's Chorus along with several of Saturday's performers.

Advanced tickets are also available by mail by sending checks to The Deines Cultural Center at 820 N. Main, Russell, KS 67665. More information can be obtained by calling (785) 483-3742 or corresponding to deinescenter@russellks.net