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LAFTA Favorite John McCutcheon Coming Friday April 15

On Friday, April 15th at 7:30 pm John McCutcheon comes back to the LAFTA main stage at the 7th Street Loft, 504 South 7th Street, Lincoln NE. McCutcheon is a multi-talented folk master who has written hundreds of songs, completed 36 albums, and garnered a host of accolades including 6 Grammy nominations in his 45+ year career. Ballads, historical and childrens songs, political satire, fiddle and dulcimer instrumentals and even symphonic works make his eclectic catalog one of the broadest in American Folk Music.
For this concert there will be Special Pricing: LAFTA member $17, nonmember $22. Students are still $10 and children under 12 $1. Tickets are available online at www.lafta.net or at the door.

Andrew McKnight House Concert Saturday April 23

Award-winning folk/Americana artist **Andrew McKnight**'s musical journey has traced nearly a million miles of blue highways, and earned him a wealth of critical acclaim and enthusiastic fans for his captivating performances and seven recordings. Andrew's powerful and entertaining show is like one man theatre, delivered with warmth and down-home comfort. His finely crafted songs are woven together with humorous stories and poetic drama, while the musical soundscape traverses influences from Appalachia, tasteful slide and jazzy blues, feisty anthems, rustic folk, and even a little fancy flatpicking on a Carter Family tune. While his skillful guitar work provides a tasteful foundation, the touches of native American cedar flute, resonator guitar, djembe (African hand drum) and even mandolin add delightful and mesmerizing embellishments to the show.
McKnight will be performing for a LAFTA house concert to be held Saturday April 23 at 7:30 pm at 5109 Foxglove Circle in Lincoln NE. Seating is limited, so best to reserve seats by calling 515-614-7459 or via email to dorothyeramsey@gmail.com.
Suggested artist donation is $15.

Saturday, May 21, 2016 - Sustaining the Roots Music Collectives in Nebraska: An evening with Prairie Dog Music and Sower Records

Prairie Dog Music is an independent music label featuring country blues, American folk and bluegrass, and other forms of traditional music. Sower Records is a collection of artists steeped in the styles of American roots music, a combination of the old and new—influenced as much by old-time and bluegrass music as they are by rock, jazz and country. The LAFTA 2015-16 season finale will feature **Prairie Dog** artists Steve Hanson, Jim Pipher, Steve Blazek, Chris Sayre, Mike Mattison, Ed Harvey, and Sam Packard. The Bottle Tops, Jack Hotel, and Andrea Von Kampen will perform from **Sower Records**.
The festivities begin at 6:00 pm in the 7th Street Loft, 504 South 7th Street, Lincoln NE with GumboFest 2016 featuring Dr. John Walker's Hot Flash "Makes You Feel Like a Real Woman" gumbo, Okie style peach cobbler, and chicken pickin' cornbread. Regular priced tickets are available online at www.lafta.net or at the door.

Michael Renow Harrell Backyard Concert Saturday June 18

Michael Reno Harrell is an award winning songwriter as well as a veteran storyteller and entertainer, and he's from the Southern Appalachian Mountains to hone it a bit finer. His original songs and stories have been described as "Appalachian grit and wit" but, as his writing shows, Michael's awareness is much broader than the bounds of his boyhood home or even the Southern Experience. Having toured throughout the British Isles and much of Europe, as well as most of the US, the songs he writes and the stories he creates reflect an insight into people's experiences that catch the ear like an old friend's voice. Whether the story is in song or narrative, Michael will draw you in and entertain you, all the while making you feel right at home.

Backyard Concerts are held at 6115 Huntington Ave, Lincoln NE. The event will start with a pot luck dinner at 6 pm, LAFTA annual member meeting at 7 pm, followed by the music at 7:30 pm. This is an alcohol/drug-free event. Soft drinks will be offered at no charge. Bring your favorite lawn chair (some chairs are provided). Suggested artist donation $10, $5 for students and children under 12 free.

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FIRST AND MOST LAST SATURDAY CONTRA DANCES

Dances are held the First Saturday of each month and sometimes the last Saturday of the month at Auld Recreation Center. $8 Adult, $5 Student, 12 and under Free. 7:00 pm lesson, 7:30pm to 10:00pm dance. For more information call 402-730-2360 or check the LAFTA web site at www.lafta.net. Tickets available at the door.