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Freedy Johnston Headlines Second Annual CDL Song Fest

CHELSEA, **MICHIGAN**, **September 5**, **2018**—Chelsea District Library (CDL) is excited to announce the schedule for its Second Annual Song Fest, a celebration of the art and craft of songwriting. CDL Song Fest 2018 will take place on Saturday, September 29 and will feature family music-related activities, music workshops, a variety showcase for local artists, and a live concert featuring nationally known singer/songwriter, Freedy Johnston. The CDL Song Fest is family friendly and open to the public. The full schedule and more information can be found by visiting chelseadistrictlibrary.org/songfest.

"We're excited to be bringing CDL Song Fest back for its second year," exclaims Patty Roberts Head of Marketing, Chelsea District Library. "Last year's event was a huge success with over 250 participants and we're looking forward to engaging even more of the community this year." 2018 CDL Song Fest returns many of last year's favorite programs and an exciting new headliner, Freedy Johnston, past Rolling Stone Magazine's Songwriter of the Year. "We are beyond thrilled to have a songwriter of stature such as Freedy headline our Second CDL Song Fest," said Lori Coryell, Director, Chelsea District Library. "His story and musical journey are sure to inspire local artists to continue to work on their craft and rise to new heights."

Before Johnston's live performance at Zou Zou's Cafe, local singer/songwriter Chelsea Paddock will kick off the evening concert, followed by Martin Bandyke of Ann Arbor's 107one, who will interview Johnston in an up close and personal conversation.

CDL Song Fest 2018 Schedule

Saturday, Sep. 29

11am–2pm One-on-One Songwriting Mentor Sessions

- 12-12:30pm KinderConcert with Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra
- 1:30-2pm On the Fly Kazoo Orchestra
- 1:30–3pm Teen Songwriting Workshop with John E. Lawrence
- 3-4pm Gear Talk
- 3-4pm "So, you want to start a band?" Workshop
- 3:30-5pm Variety Showcase
- 7:30–10pm Freedy Johnson Live with Martin Bandyke at Zou Zou's Café.

About Freddy Johnston

<u>AllMusic.com</u> calls Freedy Johnston, "a gifted songwriter whose lyrics paint sometimes witty, often poignant portraits of characters often unaware of how their lives have gone wrong, Freedy Johnston seemingly appeared out of nowhere in the early '90s and quickly established himself as one of the most acclaimed new singer/songwriters of the day." For more information on Freedy Johnston, visit <u>freedyjohnston.com</u>.

About Chelsea District Library

About Us: Chelsea District Library is a not for profit organization whose mission is engage, inspire, and equip through evolving services and resources. The Library currently serves 15,100 residents in the Chelsea district – City of Chelsea plus Dexter, Lima, Lyndon and Sylvan townships and more than 16,000 individuals visit the Library each month. For more information visit chelseadistrictlibrary.org.

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