



CAETANI CENTRE

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Countdown Begins: Caetani Summer Music Festival is Just Over Two Weeks Away!

*Genre-bending Western swing band Petunia and the Vipers headlines this year's **Caetani Summer Music Festival** on July 19.*

VERNON, B.C. — Get ready for the ultimate sonic adventure for music lovers of all kinds, with sounds ranging from indie folk and rock to bluegrass, country, jazz, and western swing.

The annual **Caetani Summer Music Festival**, happening July 19, is a vibrant celebration of live music and community spirit, featuring artisan vendors, local food trucks, a 19+ cash bar, and plenty of fun!

“Local Losers Underground, the Vernon-based grassroots production company, has taken on the role of our music coordination. The team of enthusiastic technicians and visionaries, headed by Noah McLeod, is dedicated to supporting musicians and artists in the Okanagan and across B.C. We are lucky to have them on board,” said Caetani Centre Executive Director Laisha Rosnau.

Bex and **Sidney Bos** are experienced local singer-songwriters known for their passionate indie sound and heartfelt lyricism.

The Rocky Mountain Wildflowers draw influence from decades of country and western music, blending swinging rhythms and classic instrumentation with a distinctly B.C. backwoods vibe.

October Poppy brings a nostalgic yet fresh sound—think Fleetwood Mac raised on riot grrrl records and Pacific Northwest rain. Influenced by the likes of Patti Smith, The Pixies, and Lucy Dacus, October Poppy delivers poetic lyricism wrapped in a gritty, danceable sound.

The Jazz Implication is a fusion ensemble that incorporates hip hop, Afro beats, modern jazz, and more. With tight grooves and innovative compositions, they offer a bold, high-energy take on jazz fusion.

Lone Valley Band draws inspiration from the serene beauty and wide-open spaces of rural B.C. Their immersive sound is grounded in powerful songwriting, creative collaboration, and heartfelt performance.

Festival Headliner: Petunia and the Vipers

Petunia and the Vipers deliver an eclectic, genre-defying blend of original music that incorporates classic 1920s–1970s country, blues, western swing, alternative country rock, Mexicana, French cabaret, Romanian folk, ragtime, jazz, punk, and more. The band has been described as: *“A new music that springboards off music of the past and jumps into the present day... Something in between 1920s and steampunk.”*

Frontman Petunia has spent over 25 years performing across Europe, North and South America—from hobo haunts and hitchhiking junctions to dive bars, churches, and historic theatres.

Joining The Vipers are: Stephen Nikleva (electric guitar), Jimmy Roy (lap steel guitar), and Matt Dawe (drums). Nikleva and Roy each bring over 40 years of touring experience, providing the musical backbone of the band with fiery solos and lush arrangements.

More Than Music: Food Trucks & More

Local food vendors include: Moose Caboose, Kamui Japanese Curry, and Lil Lia’s Real Frozen Yogurt. A cash bar (19+) will also be available throughout the day.

“The Caetani Centre would like to thank VantageOne Credit Union and The Tent Guys for the use of their community tent for the festival” said Kristin Froneman, Caetani Communications and Programs Coordinator.

Tickets On Sale Now

Tickets for the Caetani Summer Music Festival are available now via Showpass, with a limited number available at the gate. Both full-day and evening-only passes are available.

Buy tickets: www.showpass.com/caetani-summer-music-festival/

The **Caetani Centre museum, gallery, and gift shop** is open Tuesdays to Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more details, visit www.caetani.org or call **250-275-1525**.

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About the Caetani Centre

The Caetani Centre is the former home of renowned artist, writer, mentor, and teacher Sveva Caetani. Caetani was a visionary in the North Okanagan community, deeply believing in the power of art, culture, and knowledge to enrich lives and cultivate community. In 1994, Caetani bequeathed her 1.3-acre property, including gardens and her historic home, to the community of Greater Vernon, with the wish that it serve as a cultural facility for artistic and critical exploration.