DISPATCHES

Celebration of Bands set for Aug. 18-19

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MUSIC

The third version of Carmel Celebration of Bands will feature four new groups along with two new venues.

Because of construction, the downtown Carmel portion of the free concerts has been moved to the 100 block of Second Avenue NW between Bub's and Scotty's Brewhouse. The performances start at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 18 downtown and returning there at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 19. Tom O'Brien is a presenting sponsor.

"I think we'll be able to put in as many people as we were at the other place," said Charlie Conrad, Indiana Wind Symphony founder and musical director.

IWS is founding host of the two-day event.

The first five bands will play inside The Tarkington at the Center for the Performing Arts, starting at noon Aug. 19. Previously, it had been held at The Palladium.

"They are changing the configuration of The Palladium around for the Gala so we couldn't do it there," Conrad said of the Songbook Celebration Gala set for Sept. 30.

Charles Conrad, Indiana Wind Symphony founder and musical director, stands on stage. The IWS is founding host of the two-day Celebration of Bands. *(File photo)*

Conrad said organizers try to bring in new groups each year to join audience favorites.

One of the new bands is Jefferson Street Parade Band.

"It's kind of like a Dixieland street band," Conrad said. "They're based in Bloomington and have eight or nine members. They'll play a variety of jazz."

Other new groups are the Lake Area Concert Band, Indianapolis Symphonic Band and 65th Street Klezmorim.

For more, carmelcelebrationofbands.com.

SCHEDULE

Aug. 18 – Downtown Carmel

5:30 p.m. Indianapolis New Horizons Band
6:30 p.m. Jefferson Street Parade Band
7:30 p.m. Indianapolis Wind Symphony
8:30 p.m. JoySwing Jazz Orchestra

Aug. 19 – The Tarkington

Noon- Indianapolis Municipal Band
1 p.m. Lake Area Concert Band
2 p.m. Indianapolis Symphonic Band
3 p.m. Bloomington Community Band
4 p.m. Indiana Wind Symphony

Aug. 19 – Downtown Carmel

5:30 p.m. 65th Street Klezmorim
6:30 p.m. Vyrb
7:30 p.m. Indianapolis Brass Choir
8:30 p.m. Hopkins Miller Dixieland Band