



## **Southeast Michigan Bluegrass Music Association**

Working Together to Preserve and Promote Bluegrass Music

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### **For Immediate Release**

#### **Southeast Michigan Bluegrass Music Association to continue management of Blissfield Bluegrass on the River**

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The Southeast Michigan Bluegrass Music Association is proud to announce it has reached an agreement with the Village of Blissfield, Michigan, to continue hosting “Blissfield Bluegrass on the River” for 2018. This is the 8th year of the Festival that features area bands, local vendors, and local sponsorship. Sponsorships enable the festival to be provided free to the public. Last year, over fifty volunteers from the community and Association stepped up to help the event go smoothly. Involvement at all levels is a key element in making this local event special. The Village of Blissfield generously allows the use of Bachmayer Park and has supported the festival over the years. Next year’s Festival will be held on Saturday, August 18.

The festival presents bands from a main stage, additional acts on the side stage, a jam area, and the “Kiddie Corner” featuring “Fiddling Dixie and Friends.” We hope that additional sponsorship can be obtained to revive the instrument workshop area and expand the jamming area. Participation in the jamming and Kiddie Corner exceeded expectations in 2017 and we will build on that in 2018.

The Southeast Michigan Bluegrass Music Association was formed in July of 2014 to serve the bluegrass community in the greater southeast Michigan area. Hosting this community event is part of our mission of: “Working Together to Preserve and Promote Bluegrass Music”.

Thanks to the Blissfield Village Council for their support, and making this possible. We will soon be contacting local sponsors who generously make continuation of the festival possible.

Mark your calendars for Blissfield Bluegrass on the River, August 18th, 2018.

Please check the Bluegrass Association website - [smbluegrass.org](http://smbluegrass.org) – for more information as it becomes available. Use the contact form on the website for feedback and suggestions.

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