



# City of Bristol Tennessee

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## **Full Moon Jam concert and tribute series set to kick-off in downtown Bristol**

Downtown Bristol's oldest live music series is about to kick into high gear. The Full Moon Jam concert and Tribute series will begin on Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> and will host bands from Chicago, Illinois, Nashville and Knoxville, Tennessee and of course our regional bands of which no summer concert series should be without. Come out and dance to the music or bring a chair and



a friend and unwind from a long day. "This is what Bristol is about, meeting up with our friends and listening to music," said Darlene Cole, Deputy Director of Community Relations.

The Full Moon Jam concert series began years ago with a few gentlemen gathering in downtown once a week to 'jam'. From that developed this long-loved tradition of weekday music offered up each spring. "I think everyone realizes how fortunate we are to have this series in Bristol," said Matt Bolas, Executive Director of the Bristol Convention and Visitors Bureau. "While it's extremely popular with our locals, I also know for a fact that we have a lot of visitors who come to the downtown area specifically to enjoy the music. Being able to have live music almost on a nightly basis through the summer is certainly not something you're going to see in many other places and it's just another thing that helps make Bristol so unique."

The thirty-one nights of music includes local favorites: Southern 76, Shooter (previously Old Dogs), Holston Mountain Boys, Tennessee Skyline, Ken Morrell and Family, James Meadows,

Thomas Taylor, Jessica Nixon, CatFish Frye, Music Memories, Duty Free, Samantha Gray, Billy Crawford, and Hillbilly Bad.....to name a few.

The tribute series will feature one band being brought back by popular demand, another from the early days of Great on State and the third being completely new to the area.

For two years---Hells Bells, Tribute to AC\DC has played to a standing-room-only crowd and the anticipation of the same crowd is expected on June 26<sup>th</sup> when they return. Entice, with the sound of soul, funk and a little Motown will be appearing on July 24<sup>th</sup>. The final band in this year's Tribute Series is the ZZ Top Tribute by Eliminator who are out of Chicago and will be playing in the Tri-Cities area for the first time ever on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

For the complete line-up go to [www.pickbristol.com](http://www.pickbristol.com) or for more information contact Darlene Cole at 423-989-5500 Ext.2053 or email [dcole@bristoltn.org](mailto:dcole@bristoltn.org).