

Great South Bay Music Festival promises to be great

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Once again, the Great South Bay Music Festival promises to be great. Three days and four stages packed with music, family fun and a new comedy night begins at 4 p.m. Friday at Shorefront Park in Patchogue.

"We've tried to look deeply into the different types of music we're presenting," says James Faith, who once again is organizing the annual event with Joe Tesoriero. "We've tried to keep the quality level up with Sonny Landreth and Galactic, and we've tried to cover all areas with the local bands we've got."

Those locals range from the Good Rats (5 p.m. Sunday, Blue Point Brews Stage) to bluesman Kerry Kearney (9 p.m. Friday, Bay Stage and acoustic at 4:45 p.m. Sunday, Cultural Tent Stage) and pop-rocker [Eddie Money](#) (8:30 p.m. Sunday, Blue Point Brews Stage).

DON'T MISS

FRIDAY

Sonny Landreth (10 p.m., Blue Point Stage): He's got the blues - and the slide guitar to prove it.

SATURDAY

Sheppard Brothers (1:30 p.m., Cultural Tent Stage) OMG! You won't believe they're kids.

The Brew (3 p.m., Bay Stage): Imagine the Police as a jam band.

Galactic (9:45 p.m., Blue Point Stage): Bringing the funk from N'awlins.

SUNDAY

Pete Francis & Barefoot Truth (4 p.m., Bay Stage): Yes, that's Pete Francis from the indie phenoms Dispatch.

Brother Josephus and the Love Revival Revolution Orchestra (7:15 p.m., Cultural Tent Stage): A mouthful, and the band will leave your mouth watering for more funky gospel.

Sonya Kitchell (8:30 p.m., Cultural Tent Stage): Young, but already excelling in the jazzy-folk realm.



KID STUFF Children can learn about old-time pirate ways from Ye Pyrate Brotherhood, a historically based troupe of scalawags (actually teachers and actors). The Civil War encampment and music for the young 'uns returns.

HA-HA The festival goes into OT Friday and Saturday, with a comedy festival at 11 p.m. Carie Karavas leads other local comedians: TJ Garofolo and George Gallo Friday and Mick Thomas and Stevie G.B. on Saturday. It's \$5 if you already have a wristband and \$10 for all others. Warning: This ain't for the little ones.**WHAT** The Great South Bay Music Festival

WHEN | WHERE Friday, 4-11 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-11 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. at Shorefront Park, Patchogue

INFO \$15.50 if purchased online, \$20 at the door per day; three-day passes are \$37 online, \$44 at the door (discounts for Patchogue Village residents, seniors and college students; kids 10 and younger are free; parking is free); call 631-331-0808 or visit greatsouthbaymusicfestival.com .

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