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## **Abayance Bay Marina to Host Inaugural Mountain Heir Festival**

3-day Festival from September 6-8 on the shores of Lake Koocanusa to feature local and regional band lineup, celebrating the arts and musical culture of NW Montana

**Rexford, MT** – August 19, 2024 - Abayance Bay Marina is thrilled to announce the first-ever Mountain Heir Festival, a three-day music extravaganza set to take place from September 6-8, 2024. Nestled on the stunning shores of Lake Koocanusa, the festival will showcase the best of Northwest Montana's live music scene, bringing together top local bands for a weekend of music and harmony with their local fans.

The Mountain Heir Festival is the culmination of a dream that began in 2018 for Abayance Bay owner, Larry Stewart. His vision of building a one-of-a-kind facility on the lake and creating a platform to celebrate the region's rich artistic and musical talent has come to fruition with this extraordinary event. With his friend and colleague Andrew Belski, a local musician who performs with his wife in the Jamie Wyman Band, Larry envisioned the last event of the summer bringing together all the top local music acts to celebrate, perform and create magic together on the shores of Lake Koocanusa to wind down the summer season.

"My vision for Abayance Bay and the inaugural Mountain Heir Festival is to truly focus on bringing the community together and celebrating that community with music from our homegrown talent," said Stewart. "These aren't cover bands, but instead are groups of singers and musicians creating original music from their heart and soul, that truly reflects the culture of Montana."

The inaugural lineup will feature local favorites such as Michelle Rivers, Tim Helnore, Ghosts of Endor, Jamie Wyman Band, Lacoro and the all-star group Tobacco River Ramblers. See below for the full lineup and schedule.

Abayance Bay Marina offers a one-of-a-kind setting for the festival, featuring a unique amphitheater stage that boasts breathtaking views of the lake. Combined with a world-class sound system, the venue promises an unforgettable experience for both artists and attendees. To ensure that every guest feels like a VIP, Abayance Bay will have full concessions and hospitality staff on-site throughout the festival.

The Mountain Heir Festival is more than just a concert; it is a celebration of community and the love of music. Join us for a weekend of unforgettable memories and incredible performances.

## **About Abayance Bay Marina**

Abayance Bay is the premiere recreation, hospitality and entertainment destination on Lake Koocanusa, located just 6 miles west of Eureka MT. The venue features fine dining at The Grill restaurant, outdoor food and beverage service at the Highwater Bar, a 3000-capacity outdoor amphitheater and concert stage, a 200-boat-slip marina, public boat ramp, marine service center, 70 dry camping sites and acres of recreation with the most spectacular lakefront views in Montana. For more information visit <a href="https://www.abayancebaymarina.com">www.abayancebaymarina.com</a>



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