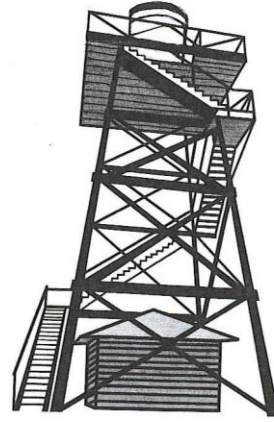


# **Friends of Camp Helen**

*The Official Citizen Support Organization  
For Florida's Camp Helen State Park*



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The fifth annual Americana Music Concert series will be in the Lodge at Camp Helen State Park from 6:30 to 8 p.m. beginning Saturday, January 5, 2019. The free concerts continue on Saturday, January 19, February 2, February 16, and March 2 with some of the best American Roots musicians touring the country today. The concert series is hosted by Lucky Mud and sponsored by Florida's Department of Environmental Protection and the Friends of Camp Helen State Park.

January 5 brings The Curry's to Camp Helen. Members of this Port St. Joe band have developed their brand of homegrown, harmony-rich Americana through summers of writing and performing on the Florida Gulf Coast. This local trio, with two brothers and a cousin, has gained a regional following, performing regularly at festivals and venues across the Southeast.

On January 19 Wyatt Espalin is our featured performer. Fiddler, singer/songwriter and vocalist with a lively repertoire, Wyatt is a native of the North Georgia hills. He has toured recently with The Indigo Girls and teaches at the John C. Campbell Center for Folk Arts.

On February 2 renowned singer/songwriter Pierce Pettis takes the stage. Pierce has written songs for Garth Brooks, Joan Baez, Dar Williams and Dion & The Belmonts, to name a few.

Lis & Lon Williamson bring February to a close on the 16th. A little Western Swing, a little Jazz, a little Folk and a whole lot of heart they are both consummate musicians.

Our final show is March 2 and we finish off the 2019 series with an amazing duo called The Rough & Tumble, who call themselves "Nashville escapees". This couple boasts an intriguing mix of instruments, beautiful songs, poetic lyrics and stunning harmonies.

This will be an exciting year of music in the beautiful Lodge at Camp Helen State Park.

Entrance into the park for the concerts is free. Camp Helen State Park is at 23937 Panama City Beach Parkway (Highway 98 near Lake Powell). The Friends of Camp Helen will accept donations all of which will be used to benefit the park. For more information, call (850) 233-5059, go to our [FaceBook.com/FriendsofCampHelenStatePark](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofCampHelenStatePark) or email us at [camphelenfriends@gmail.com](mailto:camphelenfriends@gmail.com).

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