

Lonesome River Band concert rescheduled due to snow

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UPDATE

Due to the projected snow forecast, the show originally scheduled for January 13 has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 24.

Those who have purchased tickets for the show already can either use them for the rescheduled date, use them for the upcoming show on Feb. 10, or request a refund.

California, MD - Presented by the Sons of the American Legion and Jay Armsworthy, Lonesome River Band (LRB) will be appearing at the American Legion Post 238 in Hughesville, MD Sunday January 13, 2019. The concert starts at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and the legion is located on the corner of MD Rt. 231 & 381 in Hughesville.

After 36 years, the award-winning LRB continues to be one of the most respected names in Bluegrass music and one of the most influential acts of our time. Whether performing on the famous stage of the Grand Ole Opry or headlining major concert events & festivals, their vocal and instrumental talents seamlessly come together as they perform their trademark sound that fans continue to embrace. This award-winning band is built on their familiar sound while adding a bold progressiveness to the music.

Leader, and original member of the Lonesome River Band, Sammy Shelor, is a 5-time IBMA Banjo Player of the Year and Virginia Country Music Hall of Famer. The rest of LRB is made up of singer-songwriter Brandon Rickman on the guitar; Jesse Smathers on mandolin who won the 2017 IBMA Momentum Award for Vocalist the Year; the extraordinary Mike Hartgrove plays the fiddle; and bassist Barry Reed rounds out the band.

In 2011 they appeared as a special guest with Steve Martin and performed on the Late Show with David Letterman. The guys also got to sit down with the late-night host where Martin presented Shelor with the 2nd Annual Steve Martin Prize for Excellence in Banjo and Bluegrass along an award check to in a humorous exchange!

The stellar harmony vocals by Rickman and Smathers are certainly highlighted in the band's recent albums. In 2018, Lonesome River Band received an IBMA Album of the Year nomination for their self-produced "May Hayley's House" on the Mountain Home Music Company label. On their 2016 album, "Bridging the Tradition", it debuted at #2 on Billboard's Top 10 Bluegrass Album Chart. Also in 2016, band members Sammy Shelor and Mike Hartgrove performed with actor Martin Short when Steve Martin was honored with the 43rd American Film Institute's Life Achievement Award – the highest honor for a career in film.

LRB continues to evolve in the ever-changing landscape of Bluegrass and Acoustic Country music. Their long career is obviously filled with numerous Awards and Recognitions. The group has also received other awards from IBMA and many from the Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music Association (SPBGMA) including Album of the Year, Bluegrass Band of the Year, Vocal Group of the Year, Song of the Year and Shelor as a 3-time SPBGMA Banjo Player of the Year and 5-time win as the IBMA Banjo Performer of the Year.

The show begins at 2:00 pm with the doors opening at Noon. Tickets for the show will be \$20.00 per person and children under 12 are admitted free with a paid adult. Tickets can be purchased at the door, first come. Or to guarantee a seat, you can purchase tickets in advance by sending a check made payable to "Jay Armsworthy" and mail to P.O. Box 741, California, MD 20619. Tickets will be held at the door. Food will be available for sale before the show for a separate price.

The remainder of the series will present some of the best in today's Bluegrass music such as: Russell Moore & Illrd Tyme Out, Sunday February 10, 2019; and Joe Mullins & the Radio Ramblers, Sunday March 10, 2019. Troy Jones will continue to provide sound for each show.

Although not required, it is encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for the Helping Hands Food Bank in Southern Maryland. The American Legion Post 238 is located on the corner of MD Rt. 381 & Rt. 231 in Hughesville, Maryland. For more information, tickets, and directions, go to www.americanlegionbluegrass.com or call 301-737-3004.

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