



Crabtree Sessions

Artist Showcase + Residency

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On the island of North Haven, Maine



2023 Artist Proposal

Crabtree Sessions is a humble retreat for musicians and artists located on a small island in Maine. Our mission is to inspire artists through a unique exchange of culture and art: we provide an experience of Maine island culture, and artists share their world with our community. It's that simple.

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There are two ways to experience Crabtree Sessions

1. Artist Showcase



Our signature offer is a 2-4 day experience culminating in a performance on the island. We house artists in our 200-year-old farmhouse, offer a variety of meals grown from our garden, and take you on a cultural immersion of our wonderfully unique island. That might look like lobster fishing for your dinner, jamming with locals on houseboats, excursions to our idyllic rocky coastline, harvesting oysters at our aquaculture farm, playing music, and telling stories along the way. Every experience is unique.

To cap it off, each artist/band will perform at the gorgeous Turner Farm Barn, or other local venues, sharing their music with our island community.

Previous artist showcases include Sierra Ferrel, Meg Ferrel, Rainy Eyes, Matt Fowler, Dead Gows, Maya Elise & the Good Dream, Kassie Valazza, The Bandit Queen of Sorrows, Tre' Burt, Lily Sexton, Keenan Flannery, Angelina Autumn, David Wax Museum and many more from near and far.



2. Artist Residency



Crabtree Sessions also hosts a limited number of 4-7 day artists' residencies throughout the summer. Accepting artists of all kinds, we provide a bed and unlimited inspiration from the experience of North Haven. In addition, you give back a piece of your art in performance, pieces of artwork, poems, workshops, or any other creative exchange.

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North Haven, Maine

Welcome to one of the most beautiful places on earth. Seriously, it is one of the most common phrases we hear from artists. And we couldn't agree more. Crabtree Sessions was born from this tiny island's inspiration, community, and beautiful natural landscape. Home to a mix of working-class fishermen, tradespeople, and summer residents — North Haven is



an eclectic island community. Our volunteer staff is fishermen, farmers, teachers,builders, artists, musicians, and parents – all of whom will share their way of life with you.

The Experience

"...Once you have slept on an island, you'll never be quite the same." Rachel Field

We are in the business of providing artists an experience to ignite their imagination and inspire creativity. Our currency is experiencing, and our product is memories. This experience will be something more than a money-maker for you. But it will be an immersion into an exciting world full of unforgettable characters and new adventures.



Showcase and Residency offer

Crabtree Sessions is more than just another stop on your tour. We are a *retreat*. It's an opportunity to rest, experience something new, and be inspired. This isn't all about making money; it's about making memories. So if this kind of thing tickle's your fancy, we're here for you.

Crabtree offers:

- Sleeping accommodations and some meals
- Experiences and tours of the island
- A show at the Turner Farm Barn or another local venue
- Marketing and ticketing for all performances



- Sound mixing and recording of all performances
- Revenue split of performance proceeds after costs, with no guarantees
- A new experience and some core memories

Artists exchange

- Willingness to share your music/art with our community
- Minimum of (1) ticketed performance
- (1) video interview
- shared marketing content, photos & video

Details:

- All artists must be here for *at least* two nights - no exceptions. Trust us; it's for your own good.
- We can guarantee up to three beds for artists/bands. We've fit plenty more, even if we have to get creative about it :)
- Crabtree Sessions will provide breakfast each morning and a minimum of two dinners for up to two artists.
- Additional artists must contribute to dinners or make their own in our kitchen. Dinner is \$20 per person.
- Artists provide their own lunch.
- All performances are ticketed and marketed through our channels. Crabtree Sessions takes the first \$250 of each show, and then we split everything after 50/50. *We do not guarantee any proceeds from performances.*
- Artists can sell any of their own merchandise and keep 100% of the proceeds
- We are a humble organization run by volunteers.
- Artists will sometimes be on their own to explore. We do our best to help guide and lead experiences, but we will only sometimes be available. Self-sufficiency is a part of this experience too.
- A vehicle is beneficial but not 100% required. If you plan to bring a vehicle, please remember that we are on an island, and travel to and from requires reservations or time in our standby line. We will provide all the necessary details for travel.



Apply

Crabtree Sessions offers a limited number of Artists' Showcases and Residencies throughout the 2023 Summer Season. Apply to Crabtreesessions@gmail.com.

Please inquire only if you or those you represent are amenable to the terms of Crabtree Sessions. To maintain the experience we provide, no exceptions will be made to our terms.

We look forward to hearing from you!

In gratitude,

Michael Lawrence
Founder, Crabtree Sessions



Crabtree Productions
Island Summer Songwriter Series

*Tickets @
Eventbrite*

@crabtree.sessions

*North Haven
Island*

Hosted at the Turner Farm Barn

The poster features a grid of six artist photos with their performance dates and status:

Artist	Date	Status
[Male Artist]	Sunday July 16th	Available
[Female Artist]	Saturday July 17th	Available
[Female Artist]	Sunday July 16th	SOLD OUT
[Two Male Artists]	Sunday Aug 1st	Available
[Female Artist]	Sunday Aug 13th	Available
[Female Artist]	Sunday Aug 13th	SOLD OUT

