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# Get The **BEAT**

MAY-JUNE 2026

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



**FOM MUSIC SOCIETY'S  
 2025 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR!**

### **Congratulations to Michaela Jasper!**

We are delighted to celebrate Michaela as this year's Volunteer of the Year—an honour that reflects an incredible seven years of dedication to Friends of Music, as a musician, volunteer, and advocate for mental health in the community. Michaela's meaningful contributions are many. From warmly supporting our group coffee breaks, to representing Friends of Music every year at the UVic Mental Health Resource Fair, to loading equipment and helping set up at events. She brings enthusiasm, kindness, and a genuine passion for supporting others on their recovery journey. Through her outreach, she has helped spread the word about what we do and encouraged many new people to get involved.

She is a highly talented vocalist, and shines as a strong and expressive performer in our Jazz Combo and other drop-in programs. Her love of music is evident in every note, and just as impactful is the way she shows up for others. Michaela is deeply caring and encouraging, with natural abilities as a peer supporter, helping others to navigate resources and integrate into our programs.

We are so grateful for her unwavering dedication to FOM Music Society, her generosity of spirit, and the many ways she helps make our organization truly welcoming to others.

Congratulations Michaela – and we thank you for everything you bring to our community!



### **CONCERT IN THE PARK AT CAMERON BANDSHELL**

**FEATURING: Jazz Combo | Drumming | Moodswing Chorus | Moodswing Orchestra | Ukulelians | Minds At Work**

Join us for one of our biggest outdoor concerts of the year. FOM's performance groups will showcase their talent. This is a chance to socialize and celebrate the best of what our community has to offer! We will offer food, refreshments, and cake, throughout the event. This event is FREE, and it's an open invitation, so please invite all your friends, family and coworkers!

**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS:** (Set up between 5-6pm)

We will need volunteer support for the Concert in the Park, with the following tasks:

- Transporting food and equipment to the venue / Picking up coffee
- Loading and unloading equipment
- Set up and cleanup

If you want to sign up for our volunteer crew, please contact us at [info@friendsmusic.ca](mailto:info@friendsmusic.ca)

### **SUMMER PROGRAMS - SUBMIT YOUR IDEAS!**

Our regular music programs will run until mid-June, then we'll switch to unique offerings for the month of July 2026. This is your opportunity to have a say in what kinds of programs are offered. Favorite offerings from previous years, may return by popular demand. We will have a suggestions box available in the lobby or theatre. Feel free to email us with your ideas! To see what we've offered in past years, head over to the summer programs page on our website:

<https://friendsofmusic.ca/summer-programs/>

# FRIENDS OF MUSIC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MAY 2026

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
<p>FRIENDS OF MUSIC IS LOCATED IN THE ERIC MARTIN PAVILION THEATRE. OUR ENTRANCE IS THROUGH THE GLASS SLIDING DOORS FACING FORT STREET. JUST FOLLOW THE WALKWAY AROUND THE LEFT SIDE OF THE BUILDING, FROM VICTORIA MENTAL HEALTH MAIN ENTRANCE (SEE THE MAP ON OUR WEBSITE).</p>					<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Haywires 1:30-3:30 Minds @ Work 3:30-5:30</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Guitar 4:00-5:30pm OPEN MIC 6-8 pm</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Finance MTG 5:00pm BOARD MTG 5:30pm</p>	<p><b>5</b> Drum &amp; Percussion Class 1-3pm Learn Ukulele 3:30-4:15 pm UKULELIANS 4:30-6:00pm Moodswing Chorus 6:30-8:30</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Beginner Band 11am-12pm Skills Band 12-1pm Jazz Combo 1:30 - 3:30 Recovery Rock Band 5-7pm</p>	<p><b>7</b> Eclectics 11:00-12:30 Fundamentals 1-3pm Community concert Minds @Work 6:00-6:45pm Moodswing Orchestra 7-8:30</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Haywires 1:30-3:30 Minds @ Work 3:30-5:30</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>
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We're performing at Paint the Town on the Ship Point Main Stage from 11am-3pm

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<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p>SUMMER PROGRAMS ARE COMING UP IN JULY! SEND US YOUR IDEAS BY EMAIL, IN PERSON, OR LOOK FOR A BALLOT BOX ON THE STAGE IN THE EMP THEATRE.</p>			



**DONATE TO FRIENDS OF MUSIC SOCIETY USING OUR VIRTUAL DONATION BOX: Just point your cell phone at the QR Code to be connected to our donation page at CanadaHelps.**

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