Cajun Music Preservation Society
• Established by Tysman Charpentier, Allyse Ferrara, Misty McElroy and Quenton Fontenot 31 March 2014.
May 14th
First Jam at the Foundry on the Bayou
Why Establish the Cajun Music Preservation Society?

• Almost no traditional Cajun music played in our region.

• Very little opportunity for local new musicians to learn from the experienced.

• This is our culture and is a large part of what makes us recognized as unique in this world!
Swamp Stomp 2014

- 6 Cajun bands
- 5 Zydeco bands
- 2 Hybrid bands (LA mix)
- 1 Swamp Pop
- March 20 – 22, 2015
As a young Cajun musician with roots along the Bayou Lafourche, I can recount story after story of myself and other local Cajun musicians asking local festivals to feature Cajun music only to be told, “sure, if you wanna play for free”.

The Swamp Stomp Festival gave Cajun music, and musicians, in the bayou area legitimacy and has recognized it for what the rest of the world already has, a beautiful, vibrant, and infectious music that makes people want to get up and dance.

-John Dowden
Cajun and Zydeco music are the two most traditional genres of Louisiana music. Without the traditional music, there would be none of the newer styles and genres that exist today in South Louisiana.

Swamp Stomp showcases the traditional Cajun music from areas as far as Lake Charles to New Orleans. It is one of the only traditional festivals remaining, while other festivals are branching out to newer styles and genres.

-Cameron Dupuy
## Music Genre at Other Local Festivals

Based on an unofficial survey in March 2014

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We Need More of This!
The Cajun Music Preservation Society is bringing the music to Houma!

Join us for a CAJUN JAM
Friday, Jan 16th.
8pm ‘til at Bar Roussell
Downtown Houma
21 and over
www.welovecajunmusic.org

CAJUN JAM TONIGHT!
Wednesday, August 20th
The Foundry on the Bayou
Thibodaux, LA
6:30pm

Join Us for our MARDI GRAS JAM TODAY 6PM at the Venetian Downtown Thibodaux
COME OUT & HELP US KICK OFF the Carnival Season
Bring your instruments & we'll bring the King Cake!

The Venetian is a family friendly restaurant/bar. Kids are welcome.
Our Mission
To promote, preserve, and enhance the awareness and appreciation of traditional Cajun music in Southeastern Louisiana.
Our Goal

To increase the number of Cajun music public performances and thereby increasing public appreciation of traditional Cajun music throughout Southeastern Louisiana.
Our Objectives

Organize regular jam sessions to encourage and train new musicians in the traditional Cajun style.

Provide a centralized network of Cajun music enthusiasts so that notification of public performances can efficiently be disseminated.

Provide a mechanism for traditional Cajun musicians to publicly perform throughout the Lafourche-Terrebonne region of Louisiana.
Overall:

- We want to increase the exposure of Cajun music to our local community, especially the children, so that our region will continue in the tradition of loving and learning our music and culture!

....we want to preserve what we have!
Live Local Cajun Music!

- 17 Open Jams (15 at the Foundry, 2 at the Venetian) Since May 2014
- Monthly Happy Hour at Donner-Peltier Distillery Since June 2014
- Chauvin Sculpture Garden / Blessing of the Fleet
- LA AFS Annual Meeting
- Dansereau House Thursday Drinkery
- Private Party for out of state travelers
- Bayou Country Children’s Museum
- Bar Roussell
Spreading the Music and Making Connections

• More than 55 individual musicians have played, including professional, amateur, and novices!
• Nonc Nu and da Wild Matous
• Expanding interest
SHARE & TAG to WIN!

SHARE THIS POST & TAG YOUR FRIENDS IN THE COMMENTS FOR A CHANCE TO WIN 2 TICKETS

BEAUSOLEIL
Avec Michael Doucet
plus Sweet Crude
Saturday December 27
VARSITY THEATRE
3953 Highland Rd • Baton Rouge, LA

A winner will be drawn on December 23rd
Preserve our music.
Preserve our culture.
Join the movement.

TICKETS: CHIMES ON HIGHLAND • WWW.VARSITYTHEATRE.COM • 866.468.7630
Scholarship

• Starting the paperwork for 501(c)(3) status
• Goal to raise $10,000 to endow a scholarship for a student in the Bayou Studies Program at Nicholls State University
• Expect to continue growing and expanding our mission
One of our most supportive Cajun music friends is in need of our help.

He has always been there for us. Let’s be there for him!
Forging Ahead!

• Benefit Jam for Chad Thibodaux
  • Wednesday Oct 11 at Mudbug Brewery from 6 - 9
• Continue our Regular Jams
• Wednesday 18 March 2014 – Pre-Swamp Stomp Jam at the Foundry on the Bayou
• Jams at new places (let us know where!)
• We can find a band for you!

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