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Madison Ribberfest Celebrates 22nd Annual BBQ & Blues Fest

July 17, 2024 [Madison, Indiana] Get ready to sink your teeth into some smoky goodness and groove to the soulful tunes of the blues because the **22nd Annual Madison Ribberfest Barbeque & Blues**, presented by **Koehler Welding**, is back on August 16th & 17th along the picturesque Ohio River on Madison, Indiana's riverfront. From the sizzle of the grill to the wail of the guitar, this festival is all about that blues-y vibe and mouthwatering BBQ.

"This is going to be an incredible year with Blues, Food and entertainment! Our committee has been hard at work to bring in new blood and show Madison what we've got. Community driven and volunteer ran, 2024 is going to be amazing!" expressed Erin Kindle, Madison Ribberfest Event Coordinator.

Feel the rhythm as nine blues artists and bands light up the stage during the Craig Toyota Blues Bash. Friday night kicks off with **Brandon Santini**, followed by the return of **Eric Gales**, and headliner **ANA Popovic**. On Saturday, catch the local talent of **Jordan Wilson Coalition** in between sets, and music starting at 11:30a.m. with **The King Bee & the Stingers**, **The Sonny Moorman Group**, **Shawn Holt & The Teardrops**, **Ally Venable**, **Sugaray Rayford**, all leading up to headliner **Mr. Sipp**.

But it's not just about the music - it's about the BBQ showdown! Watch over 45 professional BBQ teams from around the nation battle it out in the **Indiana State Championship Barbeque Cook-Off**. From the Kansas City Barbeque Society sanctioned competition and the Madison Courier Backyard BBQ Blast amateur competition to future pitmasters in the Kidz-Q, there's smoke and flavor for everyone.

Keep an eye on our [Facebook page](#) and [website](#) for new and upcoming events and entertainment hitting the 'Ribber'front this year. Bring the family! Kids 12 and under are FREE (with a paying adult)! We have the Bubble Guy, Face Painting, and maybe a few other 'bouncing' options to keep the kiddos entertained!

And that's not all - the fun starts early again this year with the 3rd Annual **Porker's Poker Pub Crawl** on **July 27th**, presented by Morgan Foods! This is your chance to explore downtown Madison's vibrant bar scene and kick off Ribberfest festivities in style. Here's the deal:

Tickets available [online now!](#) Secure your spot and get ready for a delicious adventure.

Free grub and chauffeured rides: Enjoy complimentary snacks at each stop and let our volunteer drivers handle the transportation between pubs.

Walk, ride, or drive: Whether you prefer to stroll, hop on a golf cart, or follow along in your own car, everyone can join the fun.

Grand prize swag: Play your cards right and win a bounty of awesome Ribberfest merchandise!

Erin Kindle, event coordinator, says: "The Porker's Poker Pub Crawl is a fantastic way for our volunteers to unwind and for everyone to discover the hidden gems of downtown Madison! Plus, with free food and prizes, it's a win-win!" **Don't miss out!** Grab your [tickets online](#) and get ready for a delicious pub crawl that kicks off Ribberfest season!

Snag your two-day **Advance** wristbands **NOW through AUGUST 15TH for \$45 ***. Wristbands are available for purchase online or at the Visitor Center 601 W. 1st Street ([See other locations available](#)). On August 16th & 17th wristbands are \$50* at **Gate** and online, good for both days. *Credit card fees may apply. Children 12 and under are free with a paid adult. So, mark your calendars, grab your bibs, and get ready for a finger-lickin', foot-stompin' good time at Madison Ribberfest BBQ & Blues

Follow www.MadisonRibberfest.com, and @MadisonRibberfest on social media for event updates. For FAQs and event details see The [Rest of the Fest](#).



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