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GOV'T MULE + LETTUCE TO HEADLINE 2018 CANDLER PARK MUSIC + FOOD FESTIVAL FULL LINEUP REVEALED, TICKETS ON SALE BEGINNING 10AM TODAY

Annual Two-Day Festival Returns June 1 + June 2

ATLANTA – As festival season quickly approaches, Rival Entertainment announced today the highly-anticipated 2018 Candler Park Music + Food Festival music line-up. Returning to Candler Park for its 10th year on Friday, June 1 and Saturday, June 2, the Festival will feature: **Gov't Mule, Lettuce, Houndmouth, Keller Williams' PettyGrass featuring The HillBenders, SUSTO, Twiddle, Larkin Poe, Busty & The Bass, and Webster**. Sponsored by Athens-based Terrapin Beer Co., the two-day event will be packed with an incredible lineup of live music, food and local artisans for a family-friendly festival experience.

With this year's addition of The Terrapin Beer Co. Battle of the Bands, fans can catch a preview of the fun-filled weekend on Friday, May 11. During the Battle of the Bands, bands will compete for the chance to perform during the opening slot on Friday, June 1. Visit terrapinbeer.com for more details.

"We couldn't be more excited to present another stellar lineup for music fans who join us from all over," says Festival Producer and Rival Entertainment Partner Josh Antenucci. "Maintaining that cherished neighborhood festival vibe while simultaneously featuring some of the most popular artists for an unforgettable experience, at an unbeatable price, makes our festival a must-see event this spring."

The two-day event is set to draw more than 20,000 attendees from Atlanta and beyond, and will feature much more than live music. As music fills the air, attendees will also have the opportunity to experience additional activities including a food village filled with local restaurant vendors and food trucks, an artist market, adult field games, a craft cocktail bar, and the exclusive Terrapin Brew Lounge complete with an expanded selection of rare Terrapin craft brews.

Gates open at 4:00 pm on Friday, June 1 and at 12:00 pm on Saturday, June 2. Weekend ticket prices are \$25 for General Admission and \$60 for VIP through April 15 and will then increase. Advance purchase is highly recommended at candlerparkmusicfestival.com. This festival is an all-ages event. Children under 12, accompanied by an adult ticketholder, do not require tickets. A portion of festival proceeds will support the festival's philanthropic beneficiaries to be identified while working alongside members of the community during the planning of the festival and announced at a later date. Candler Park Music & Food Festival is produced by Rival Entertainment and is a rain or shine event.

About Festival Performers

Legendary rock torchbearers **Gov't Mule** have showcased their virtuosity, intelligence and breadth for more than two decades, which have encompassed 15 studio and live albums, millions of album and track sales and thousands of performances. The band have become a human encyclopedia of timeless American music while adding to that canon with their signature sound.

For more than two decades, **Lettuce** have brought a new vitality to classic funk, matching their smooth and soulful grooves with a hip-hop-inspired urgency and mastery of beat. In recent years, they have watched their fan base expand as they've hit bigger and bigger stages and earned their name as a can't-miss festival act.

Houndmouth became the irrepressible core of an outfit turned magnetic. They earned a reputation as a must-see act, their hooks, energy and charisma making them feel like a lifelong friend you'd just met.

Keller Williams' new Tom Petty-inspired project titled **Keller Williams' PettyGrass** finds him performing select covers in a rollicking bluegrass style alongside eclectic bluegrass quintet **The HillBenders**. These special performances will serve as a way to pay homage to a musical icon while bringing a new perspective to his time-honored songs.

For Justin Osborne, the music of **SUSTO** was something he had to get out into the world. Their music finds them taking the spacey country rock of their debut into the stratosphere, piling on layers of sighing keyboards, galloping rhythms and frayed, noisy guitar solos atop wistful melodies and lyrics that examine growing up and growing into yourself.

In the live setting, more and more people are invigorated by **Twiddle**'s community, promoting positivity and the band's skillful improvisational music. So many like-minded people believe in the greater good, and they find that good in Twiddle.

Larkin Poe is a roots rock 'n roll sister duo comprised of Rebecca Lovell and Megan Lovell that are descendants of tortured artist and creative genius, Edgar Allen Poe. After experimenting with an array of musical styles, they found a way to blend together a sound that channels their distinct voice. They are currently working on their next album.

With their seamless blend of soulful hip-hop vocals, rap, signature brass and synths, **Busty and the Bass** is ushering in a new era of genre-defying sound. The Montreal-based nine-piece quickly shot up from packed house party jams to scorching live performances in front of thousands of fans across the US, Canada, Europe and the UK.

Atlanta-based **Webster** has performed at numerous venues throughout Atlanta from small to large events, every stage suits them. Their ever-evolving song list includes, among others, covers of Neil Young, The Grateful Dead, Bob Dylan, Tom Petty, Van Morrison, Phish, REM, Ryan Adams, Dire Straits, Johnny Cash and Railroad Earth.

About Rival Entertainment

Rival Entertainment has produced concerts and music-centric festivals in Atlanta since 2004. Principals Josh Antenucci, Lucy Freas and Brandon Mize bring collective decades of experience in event production and show booking. Supported by an all-star concert production team in marketing, technical production, box office and vendor management, Rival produces many of Atlanta's most acclaimed live events, including the three-day Outkast ATLast reunion, Foo Fighters' 2015 sold out world tour stop at Centennial Olympic Park and Prince's last live concert performance. They also booked and are producing the inaugural concert at the Georgia State Stadium with Foo Fighters headlining. Rival Entertainment manages operations and booking at Midtown's historic Center Stage Theater, The Loft & Vinyl.

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