

The Coffis Brothers headed to Sisters

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The Coffis Brothers will bring roots rock to the Sisters Summer of Festival concert series on Saturday, July 31.

Jamie and Kellen Coffis were born and raised in the mountains of Santa Cruz, California. They took their musical inspiration from bands they listened to when they were young. According to their website bio, “nothing in their repertoire is overwrought or outstays its welcome. This is pure roots rock, focused on melody, harmony, rhythm, and mood. There are echoes of The Byrds, Tom Petty, and The Jayhawks, and from years of touring, they have honed their sound into shimmering, high-energy rock and roll.”

“We like to say rock ‘n’ roll, which for us encompasses blues, folk, and country,” said Kellen Coffis. “For us it’s really about melody and groove and then the words come after that.”

Jamie and Kellen began singing music at a young age, singing in a children’s choir with their mom. When Jamie was attending San Francisco State, he began delving into more rock ‘n’ roll music, singing and playing with buddies.

“Playing in college really gave Jamie a solid foundation and when he came back from college, we began booking some gigs so we could play together so he could have some accompaniment,” said Kellen.

They got a few close friends together to create a



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The Coffis Brothers will bring roots rock to Sisters in the Sisters Folk Festival’s Summer of Festival concert on Saturday, July 31.

band and have been touring and recording full-time for six years. Their first record came out in 2011.

“We started the band originally with our longtime friend Kyle Poppen, who plays lead guitar in the five-piece band,” said Kellen.

Jamie and Kellen do most of the writing and production of the songs on their records, and are accompanied by friends/bandmates. All songs were written and sung by Jamie (vocals and keys) and Kellen (vocals, guitar), and were performed by Kyle Poppen (lead guitar), Aidan Collins (bass, backing vocals), Sam Kellerman (drums and percussion), and Tim Bluhm (backing vocals, and guitar.)

“The band formed really organically over the years, and we really just love playing music together and going from being rocking and loud to a bit of a slower-paced tune,” said Kellen.

Most of their performance set is composed of original

songs, but they do a few covers here and there if they feel like it fits the vibe of the evening. Most of the cover songs they choose to do are within that rock and blues genre.

“We try to shy away from classic rock tunes, but we aren’t shy to play covers if it’s a song that interests us,” said Kellen.

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JULY 23 FRI
Downtown Sisters 4th Friday Art Stroll 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Galleries and shops feature artists, some demonstrating their techniques, every fourth Friday of the month! For additional information go to sistersartsassociation.org.
Hood Avenue Art Featured Artists Alisa Looney and Kathleen Keliher 4 to 7 p.m. Art demo with Alisa Looney. Live entertainment with Melanie Rose Dyer Trio. For more info go to hoodavenueart.com.

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JULY 24 SAT
Hardtails Bar & Grill Live Music with Gold Dust 8 p.m. Tribute to Fleetwood Mac on the outdoor stage. Tickets at www.bendticket.com. For additional information call 541-549-6114 or go to hardtailsoregon.com.
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JULY 29 THUR
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JULY 30 FRI
Sisters Art Works Live Music with David Jacobs -Strain Band with Bob Beach & Tony Furtado Trio 7 p.m. Sisters Folk Festival Summer Concert. Ticket information: www.sistersfolkfestival.org or 541-549-4979.
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JULY 31 SAT
Sisters Art Works Live Music with The Mother Hips & The Coffis Brothers 7 p.m. Sisters Folk Festival Summer Concert. Ticket information: www.sistersfolkfestival.org or 541-549-4979.
Outdoor Stage at Sisters Depot Live Music with Bob Baker & Brian Odell 6 to 8:30 p.m. \$5 cover charge. Reservations recommended. For info call 541-904-4660 or go online to www.sistersdepot.com.

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