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Bayou Jam brings the ‘Beach’ to the bayou

The City of Slidell’s *Bayou Jam* concert series kicks off the fall 2009 season with a performance by On the Beach on Sunday, September 27, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Slidell’s Heritage Park. Admission is free.

The band, which hails from Toledo, Ohio, plays gigs across the United States, performing family-friendly “adult alternative” music that includes a variety of musical dynamics – mixing elements of rock, pop, and country with references to Americana, jazz and Latin music. The band features Jeff Tucker (on vocals, guitar and harmonica), Kyle Turner (on piano, organ and keyboards), John Rae (on drums) and Brad Burkhart (on bass, guitar and vocals).

Bayou Jam is now in its seventh year of free concerts in Heritage Park. The concert series has become a great way for family and friends to come together and celebrate their love of music and community spirit. Additional concerts this season include Redline with special guest Jenny Brooks on Oct. 11, the *Bayou Jam Halloween Bash* featuring Vince Vance and the Valiants on Oct. 25 and a special *Arts Evening* concert featuring Swingaroux, on Nov. 8.

Concert-goers are invited to bring their chairs, blankets, ice chests and picnic baskets to the park to enjoy the concerts. Soft drinks, bottled water and on-site catering will be available for a nominal charge. Please note that park regulations prohibit pets in the park as well as the use of skateboards, scooters, barbeque grills and glass items.

The *Bayou Jam* concert series is brought to you by the City of Slidell’s Department of Cultural & Public Affairs and the 2009 – 2010 Cultural Season sponsors and is supported by a grant from the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in cooperation with the Louisiana State Arts Council as administered by the St. Tammany Commission on Cultural Affairs.

For more information, please call the Department of Cultural & Public Affairs at (985) 646-4375 or visit the city’s website at www.slidell.la.us. If it looks like it might rain on the day of the concert, please check the news alert on the website or call for a recorded message with the latest information. Cancellation decisions will be made by 1 p.m. on the day of the event.



On the Beach



Redline & Jenny Brooks



Vince Vance & “Banana”



Swingaroux