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## **The Blue Meanies To Play in Last Bayou Jam Concert of the Season**

SLIDELL, LA (May 14, 2009) – The City of Slidell’s popular Bayou Jam concert series in Heritage Park finishes its 2009 spring season on Sunday, May 31 with a performance by The Blue Meanies. The concert begins at 5:30 p.m., and admission is free.

The Blue Meanies were originally scheduled to play on March 15, but due to bad weather, the concert was cancelled and later rescheduled.

The Blue Meanies got their start in 1997. Now, 12 years later, the group is still performing strong with the current lineup of Jimmy Triay (vocals, guitar); John Taylor (bass, vocals); Brent Graham (vocals, drums); Ralph Edwards (guitar, vocals) and Chazz Smith (keys, vocals). With a varied playlist – including songs from Al Green, ZZ Top, Beatles, Elvis, Journey and the Rolling Stones – The Blue Meanies have become a favorite purveyor of funk, rock and soul on both sides of Lake Pontchartrain.

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

Bayou Jam is now entering 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. Concerts are held in the park on Sundays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The Bayou Jam concert series is produced by the City of Slidell’s Department of Cultural & Public Affairs with the assistance of the departments of Recreation and Public Operations and the Slidell Police Department, along with the cultural season sponsors, including Northshore Regional Medical Center; Whitney Bank; Slidell Memorial Hospital; *Living Magazine*; AT&T; CLECO Power, LLC; *Louisiana Life Magazine*; Mary & Dr. Dale MacCurdy; *Sophisticated Woman Magazine*; Baker Sales, Inc.; Creative Picture Framing Inc. & Art Gallery; East St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce; Hampton Inn of Slidell; The Purple Armadillo; Ronnie Kole Foundation; Silver Slipper Casino; Sizeler Architects; Textron Marine & Land Systems; Walden Media Productions, LLC; Bargains Plus! / Postal Plus; Baskin-Robbins/Coy & Donna Faucheux; Councilman Bill & Laura Borchert; David Carollo, Attorney-at-Law; Cross Gates Family Fitness; Eric

& Mary DuBuisson; Kathryn & Company's A Touch of Italy Café; Lowry-Dunham, Case & Vivien; Ed & Chris Massett; and Times Grill.

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