

VOLUNTEER *Blues* LETTER

ISSUE 7

CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS

JULY 16, 2022



We have all seen his work around the festival.

Chalkboy, also known as Andy Brown, has been making the festival stages look nice since 2007. Before making chalk signs, starting in 1997 Andy worked at the Bluesfest Autograph tent run by Compact Records. Mark Monahan saw a drawing he did back in 2004 of the entire Bluesfest site and asked him to start making signs for the festival stages. You can still find his poster for sale at the Poster Gallery. Although he's not a volunteer, Andy's work at the festival has been varied and integral to all of our experiences over the years. He currently works in Ottawa making signs for venues that need them (and serve Guinness).



Thanks to everyone who dropped by the Welcome Centre and contributed to our chalkboard! It's been a lot of fun to see the different wishes and contributions you have made during the festival. It's not too late to head over to the Welcome Centre to store your bags, play some games, or hang out with other volunteers!

The Welcome Centre is also the Good Night and Thanks for Coming Centre - they stay open late so you can get your bags after your shift! We really appreciate all of the work they do!



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Dakota *Outdoor Blues Café*

How long have you been a volunteer?

7 years! This is my 1st year at OBC. I spent 5 years in Gates and 1 year at Will Call.


Will you be back next year? Yes! I will be back.

What do you like best about volunteering?

I like the social aspect. I get to meet new people!

Would you recommend that people volunteer?

Yes! I think it's an amazing experience and a way to connect with others. I think it's super fun to volunteer. You can explore other areas too - it's a lot of fun!

 **THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND CONTRIBUTION!**

AMP THE AWESOME MUSIC PROJECT

Volunteer Village - July 17, 2022 from 4:00pm-7:00pm

The Awesome Music Project explores the transformative power of music through the sharing of stories, songs, and science. AMP is dedicated to accelerating awareness, research, and solutions related to music and mental health.

Between July 16-17 volunteers can electronically submit a song that means something to them and why. Visit the Volunteers Website 'Updates tab' at volunteers.ottawabluesfest.ca to submit your song.

The Awesome Music Project will be presenting at Volunteer Village on July 17 at 4:00pm. www.theawesomemusicproject.com



Now available at the Outdoor Blues Cafe

Open to all volunteers



YOUR VOLUNTEER SERVICE TEAM

- ANNA WOOD - HR Manager, Volunteer Services
- SARAH SPEED - Administration Systems Coordinator, Volunteer Services
- JAMINE ACKERT - Volunteer Services
- CARINA DELLA VALLE - Volunteer Services Communications Coordinator, Bluesfest
- KINGSLEY SWIM - Volunteer Services Administrative Assistant, CityFolk

2022 VOLUNTEER HOURS OF OPERATION

GATES	5:00 PM DAILY	OUTDOOR BLUES CAFÉ	2:00 PM - 10:00 PM
VOLUNTEER GATE	4:00 PM - 11:00 PM	BIKE PARK	2:30 PM - 11:30 PM
VOLUNTEER VILLAGE CHECK-IN	1:00 PM - 9:30 PM	FREE SHOW CHECK-IN (CORNER OF VIMY & BOOTH)	4:30 PM - 10:00 PM
VOLUNTEER VILLAGE BAG CHECK	2:00 PM - 11:30 PM		