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Rockville Public Library Kicks Off FREE Fall Concert Series

First Concert this week features Bluegrass Duo Audrey Mae

(VERNON, Connecticut) – The Rockville Public Library is hosting three **FREE** outdoor concerts featuring local bluegrass, rock ‘n’ roll and classic country performers.

“The arts enrich our lives and community in so many ways, and this is a great opportunity to experience and enjoy family-friendly live music performances,” said Vernon Mayor Dan Champagne.

The first concert is this Thursday, September 30th, 2021 and features **Audrey Mae** bluegrass. The second concert is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 21st, 2021 and features the **Elderly Brothers** oldies rock ‘n’ roll. The final concert is Thursday, November 4th and features **Rosie Porter and the Neon Moons**, a classic country artist. All concerts are at 6:00 p.m. in the library’s upper parking lot. The concerts will be moved inside the library in the event of rain or very cold weather.

Audrey Mae features the duet harmonies of Peter Winne and Joe Delillo backed by a rotating cast of Connecticut bluegrass veterans. Together, despite being a generation apart, Winne and Delillo evoke brother harmony groups such as The Stanley Brothers, The Blue Sky Boys, and The Everly Brothers. Named after Delillo's mother, an Alabama belle named Audrey Mae, the band delivers a brand of bluegrass that is at times high octane and at other times just plain lonesome.

The Elderly Brothers features T-Bone Stankus on guitar and Brian Gillie on keyboards. The pair teamed up as The Elderly Brothers to serve up “mint-condition” oldies rock ‘n’ roll with pitch-perfect harmonies and soulful improvisations as fresh as the originals. Their radiant renditions, audience interaction, dancing groove and dose of mischief make their ‘50s and ‘60s rock-hop repertoire a unique and contagious kind of fun.

Rosie Porter and the Neon Moons are a Massachusetts-based band whose music is inspired by Rosie's affection for classic country, such as the Bakersfield sound and old fashioned honkytonk. The ensemble features Doug Beaumier on pedal steel guitar and Bob Berry on bass guitar.

All concerts are free and open to all people. The Rockville Public Library asks people to register in advance by visiting www.rockvillepubliclibrary.org/events.

About the Town of Vernon

The Town of Vernon is a celebrated place to live, work and visit. From its beautiful parks and lakes, to its vast trails and historic homes and buildings, Vernon is a resilient and thriving community that promotes the health and wellbeing of its residents and values the natural environment. With a resident population of approximately 30,000 and occupying 18.03 square miles, Vernon combines a balanced appreciation of history, and a strong economic base for growth, both residential and commercial. Located 15 minutes east of the Connecticut capital of Hartford, and 25 miles from the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, the Town of Vernon is strategically located in "New England's Knowledge Corridor" with close proximity to some of the top colleges and universities in the country.

Designated a certified Sustainable Community, the Town of Vernon offers a wide range of benefits and services to its residents. The Town of Vernon is a full-service municipality that practices a management philosophy of continuous quality improvement. To learn more about the Town of Vernon, please call (860) 870- 3670 or visit www.vernon-ct.gov.

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