

John Michael Kohler Arts Center

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Get the Gig 2022 winner Wolves With Virginia performs at a Levitt AMP Sheboygan Music Series concert. Photo courtesy of John Michael Kohler Arts Center.

Regional Bands and Duos Invited to Submit Entries for Battle of the Bands at John Michael Kohler Arts Center

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center in Sheboygan is accepting applications from regional bands and duos interested in competing in its upcoming Get the Gig battle of the bands.

Winners of the Get the Gig contest will receive a paid engagement as an opening act at one of the Levitt AMP Sheboygan Music Series concerts on the Sheboygan City Green in summer 2023. The Get the Gig event will be held Saturday, March 18, 2023, at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center.

Get the Gig performers will be selected by Arts Center staff from the pool of applicants. Selected bands will be notified by January 27, 2023. Bands competing in the Get the Gig contest on March 18 will receive an honorarium of \$200.

To submit an entry, visit jmkac.org. Application deadline is midnight Friday, January 20, 2023.

Duos or groups are asked to provide a video recording of original music and lyrics from any genre for consideration. All members of the band must be available to perform on Saturday, March 18, 4:00–9:00 p.m. A 30-minute, all-ages-appropriate set of original music will be required.

To be eligible for the Get the Gig competition, bands and performing duos may not be under contract with a major label; bands signed with a local or indie label or having limited distribution channels will be considered.

Last year's Get the Gig winners were Violet Wilder and Wolves With Virginia.

To learn about being a Get the Gig sponsor, contact Kelsey Lueptow, JMKAC corporate relations specialist, at 920-694-4560 or klueptow@jmkac.org.

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About the John Michael Kohler Arts Center

Founded in 1967, the John Michael Kohler Arts Center (JMKAC) is dedicated to generating creative exchanges between an international community of artists and a diverse public. Central to its mission is promoting understanding and appreciation of the work of self-taught and contemporary artists through original exhibitions, commissioned works of art, performing arts, community arts initiatives, and publications.

The Arts Center's collection focuses primarily on works by artist-environment builders, self-taught and folk artists, and works created in the Arts/Industry residency program. JMKAC is the world's leading center for research and presentation of artist-built environments.

In June 2021, the Arts Center opened the Art Preserve, a satellite campus highlighting its collection of 25,000 individual works of art by more than 30 art-environment builders. The Art Preserve features immersive displays of art environments and curated visible storage of environment components. It also serves as a resource for research on art environments and the artists who create them.

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center is located at 608 New York Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. The Art Preserve is located at 3636 Lower Falls Road, Sheboygan. Admission to both is free. For more information, call 920-458-6144, or visit <u>jmkac.org</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, or <u>Instagram</u>.

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center is supported by corporate and foundation donors, government grants, and its many members. The Arts Center is not an entity of Kohler Co. or its subsidiaries.

Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Locations

John Michael Kohler Arts Center: 608 New York Avenue, Sheboygan, WI Art Preserve: 3636 Lower Falls Road, Sheboygan, WI