



- Kansas Sampler Festival The 2013 Kansas Sampler Festival kicks off Saturday, May 4, and continues May 5, and Liberal will play host to the event once again.

Organizers have announced 10 entertainments acts are scheduled for that weekend. Be watching for exact dates and times. Here are four of the scheduled acts:

Aaron Fowler and Laura Dungan combine their areas of musical expertise and empowerment to create a dynamic and rich musical experience in the folk tradition. Their music leads the listener to be attentive and appreciative of one's place in the world, examine matters of the heart and conscience, and lend courage to take next steps on the journey. Aaron is also a teaching artist with Arts Partners Wichita and Kansas Wolf Trap. His work can be seen and heard as part of Sing It Out's Stories to Songs project. Lindsborg Folkdanslag – Lindsborg Keeping their Swedish heritage alive in Lindsborg are the Lindsborg Folkdanslag.

Folkdanslag is a Swedish word describing a folk dance group. But one word isn't enough to describe the Lindsborg Folkdanslag, a popular performing group who bring smiles to all who see their active and colorful performances. In 1970, several adults gathered to explore the possibility of forming an "adult" folk dance group within the community. Since then, the Lindsborg Folkdanslag has become a frequent performer at folk festivals and special events - both Swedish and American - throughout the state. They have also traveled to surrounding states, including Missouri, Colorado, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Nebraska. Occasionally the group has traveled to Sweden.

Cayton & Brown – Olathe

‘Cayton and Brown’ is an all-around Acoustic duo with a true Americana sound. Cissy Cayton and Barry Brown create an alternative-country listening experience featuring guitar, banjo, djembe drums and bluesy vocals combining to make a traditional sound dressed up with an acoustic jazzy twist. Both members have experience in musical genres ranging from Christian to Bluegrass and bring varied musical stylings to their performances.

Willis C. Pracht - Garden City

Willis Pracht has been entertaining audiences for many years throughout Kansas, performing at festivals, trail rides, schools, public radio shows, and gatherings both as a single act and with many others. While mostly a cover artist, his repertoire also includes original songs as well as traditional, gospel, and folk music. His preferred instrument is a 1976 S.L. Mossman Winter Wheat 12 string guitar built in the Mossman factory in Winfield by the late, great Stuart Mossman.