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BradFest 2011 to Celebrate, Cultivate Local Musicians

Bands, brew, pie, belly dancing, robots, samba, 82 pairs of men's briefs...

July 21, 2011 - The [Friends of Brad Memorial Foundation](#) is pleased to announce the second annual BradFest—a music festival to benefit young Minnesota musicians and honor the memory of Bradley E. Rozman. BradFest will take place August 5-6 at the Earthwood Bar, Grill and Motel in Two Harbors.

The weekend-long extravaganza will transform the festival grounds into a magical space where air molecules will vibrate in compelling patterns. Hips will shake, pies will be eaten (and hurled), and robots and humans alike will utter absurd incantations. Life will be celebrated, indelible memories will be burned into impressionable psyches, and collective nirvana will be reached through contagious fits of laughter. Only the foolish, the apathetic, and the timid would dare to miss this event.

BradFest will feature a diverse mix of live music with bands from the Iron Range, Duluth, across the state and beyond, including Saturday headliner, the legendary [Grant Hart](#) (formerly of Hüsker Dü and Nova Mob). Organizers aim to cultivate a spirit of community among the musicians, entertainers and festival goers. The unique blend of entertainment will also include Brazilian street samba, belly dancing, musical robots, and more. In addition, there will be tasty local beer and food, a pie fight, and a silent auction with an assortment of high quality local products, art and crafts.

Confirmed BradFest performers (line-up subject to change):

[Grant Hart](#)

[The Bitter Spills](#)

[Uprising](#)

Brazilian street samba with [Terry Vermillion](#)

[Expressive Machines](#) (musical robots)

Lakes

Pauline Russell (from [High Volt Rustler](#)) and friends

[Red Label](#)

[Meat Raffle Road](#)

[Rosebud Social](#)

[Roxie Magistrate](#)

Spindrift

[Tribal Alchemie](#) (fusion belly dance)

All proceeds will benefit young MN musicians through the Friends of Brad Memorial Foundation. To find out more, visit: www.bradfest.org

The Friends of Brad Memorial Foundation

<http://www.friendsofbrad.org>

The Friends of Brad Memorial Foundation is a nonprofit organization that seeks to honor Bradley E. Rozman's memory by reaching out to support young Minnesota musicians.

Brad Rozman was a talented Duluth musician who believed in the power and importance of music in our lives and communities. Friends of Brad shares this belief and is committed to developing and improving opportunities for area musicians as a means of honoring Brad.

Proceeds from the first annual BradFest are already making an impact through:

- **A scholarship fund** for graduating high school musicians on the Iron Range. The first two scholarships were awarded to graduates from Virginia and Deer River.
- **A donation** to the Two Harbors high school band program for the purchase of new percussion instruments.
- **A fellowship** for young professional musicians residing in Northeastern MN.
- **A fund for visiting artists** at Brad's alma mater, St. Cloud State University, to bring in high-caliber professional musicians to inspire and interact with students.

The details:

[BradFest](#)

Friday, August 5th from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 6th from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Earthwood Bar, Grill and Motel

933 Stanley Rd, Two Harbors, MN (1 mile south of town)

Tickets:

By donation online/at the gate

In order to make BradFest accessible to all, organizers are doing away with set ticket prices this year. Attendees are asked to keep in mind the high entertainment value offered and the worthy cause supported. The first 125 people to donate the suggested amount (online or in person) will receive a free, commemorative BradFest mug (which also entitles them to \$1 off drinks).

Suggested donation rates:

Weekend: \$21.82

Friday: \$12.82

Saturday: \$15.82

Children 12 and under: free

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