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**MORE THAN 50 NEW ENGLAND-BASED AND NATIONAL EMERGING ARTISTS
ARE SLATED TO PLAY THE BIG E**

The number of emerging artists performing at The Big E will double this year with performances by more than 50 artists at The E Stage, sponsored by *Blue Chair Bay Rum*. The E Stage, located at the Flag Plaza, will feature artists of all ages and genres, including Blue Eyed Blackbird, NliteN, The Kings, Joon, Matt Maratea, West End Blend, Swimmer and many more. Daily showtimes are 12:30, 3:30 and 6:30pm, with an additional 9pm show, Thursday – Saturday.

The Fair kicks off with a moving performance of the National Anthem by Shea Braceland at 10 am. Braceland has sung the National Anthem at Fenway Park for the Red Sox, and in TD Garden for the Bruins, as well as Boston College, College of the Holy Cross and many more.

The 2019 E Stage line-up:

Sept. 13	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	Jake Kulak & the LowDown Outer Stylee Juice the DJ Blue Eyed Blackbird
Sept. 14	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	Muddy Ruckus Them Fantasies DJ Anomaly NliteN
Sept. 15	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Lush Honey Jason Ingriselli & The Miles North The New Motif
Sept. 16	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Brian Kostanski of The Storytellers Tom Ingram Band DishSoap
Sept. 17	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Jonny Taylor C.K. & The Rising Tide The Greys
Sept. 18	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Emerald Rae Junior Krauss & the Shakes Weege & the Wondertwins
Sept. 19	12:30pm	Alex2e



	3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	Mamma's Marmalade SHANTYMAN The Kings
Sept. 20	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	Renee Lamy Floyd Patterson performing Motown Juice the DJ Joon
Sept. 21	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	Orb Mellon Diamond Dixie DJ Anomaly Matt Maratea
Sept. 22	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	The Bees Trees Bad Mothers Tim Buono
Sept. 23	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Franki Denuff Take on Chris Sean U
Sept. 24	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Chris Lomma The DeadHeads MA Grayson Ty
Sept. 25	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Jeiris Cook Axis Bahama Mama and the Painkillers
Sept. 26	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	Brian Jarvis Feel Good Drift Dorren Pierre The Big Sway
Sept. 27	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	The Basement Cats Danny Pease & the Regulators Juice the DJ Livio Gravini & The Free Spirit Society
Sept. 28	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 9pm	Rice: An American Band No Lens NADAGANG with Juice the DJ Nonstop to Cairo
Sept. 29	12:30pm 3:30pm 6:30pm	Sage Knight West End Blend Swimmer

The E Stage is now in its third year at The Big E. The venue was initially established in 2017 to showcase the participants of Eastern States Exposition's Masters of Music competition. Masters of Music was developed in conjunction with the Springfield Business Improvement District to engage local artists to perform as support for headliners of the CityBlock Summer Concert Series. Masters of Music was held for two seasons with CityBlock, and then as a standalone competition at the Fair in 2017.



The CityBlock Summer Concert Series has since morphed into MGM Live, presented by The Big E, which is held Thursdays – Saturdays at The Plaza at MGM Springfield. Masters of Music was retired and lives on through the extensive local and emerging artist programming at The Big E.

The 2019 Big E takes place Sept. 13-29 in West Springfield, Mass. Stay up to date with all the happenings at Eastern States Exposition by finding us on Facebook, following us on Twitter and Instagram or joining our mailing list at TheBigE.com.

