100 places to hear live music in Alabama
In the 1960s, top artists from around the world came to Alabama and made the four adjacent cities of Florence, Tuscumbia, Sheffield and Muscle Shoals the “Hit Recording Capital of the World.” Aretha Franklin recorded at FAME studios in Muscle Shoals as did Wilson Pickett for “Mustang Sally.” Percy Sledge recorded “When a Man Loves a Woman” at Quin Ivy’s Sound Studios in Sheffield. Muscle Shoals Sound Studios on Jackson Highway in Sheffield, a location made famous by Cher’s “3614 Jackson Highway” album cover, was also where The Rolling Stones recorded “Brown Sugar” and “Wild Horses.”

Today, the rich music legacy continues in song and celebration around the state. Alabama boasts two music halls of fame and more than a dozen locations honoring music legends, from the Father of the Blues W.C. Handy, to country music star Hank Williams, as well as a proud tradition in all genres of music, from blues, bluegrass and rock to gospel, country music and sacred harp singing. From authentic juke joints to basement jazz clubs, music lives in Alabama. So, look over this list of establishments that regularly feature live music and go out and have some fun tonight.

**Music Attractions**

**Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame • Birmingham**
This art-deco museum honors great jazz artists with ties to the state of Alabama. While furnishing educational information, the museum is also a place for entertainment. Exhibits convey the accomplishments of the likes of Nat King Cole, Duke Ellington, Lionel Hampton and Erskine Hawkins, and the music that made them famous. Within this fine musical collection, visitors travel from the beginnings of boogie woogie with Clarence “Pinetop” Smith to the jazz space journeys of Sun Ra and his Intergalactic Space Arkestra. Open Tu-Sat. 10-5. Call for guided tours. 1631 4th Ave. N. 205-254-2731

**Eddie Kendrick Memorial Park • Birmingham**
This memorial garden to singer Eddie Kendrick of the Temptations features a bronze sculpture of Kendrick by Tuskegee artist Ron McDowell, as well as sculptures of the other Temptations set into a granite wall. The singers’ cuffs each have a letter on them, together spelling “BHAM” from left to right. Inscribed on the granite are the names of Temptation’s hit songs. The park uses Kendrick’s family name without the “s”, which was added early in his career. 18th St. and 4th Ave. N. 205-458-8000

**Delmore Room, Brewer Library, Calhoun Community College • Decatur**
Displays contain artifacts and memorabilia from Alton and Rabon Delmore. During their career, the Delmore Brothers from Limestone County wrote more than one thousand songs and are remembered as country music pioneers known for their close harmony and bluesy music and vocals. Members of the Grand Ole Opry from 1923-1938, they were inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame (2001) and elected to the Nashville Songwriters’ Hall of Fame (1971). Their 1949 hit song, “Blues Stay Away From Me,” is regarded by some as an early example of rock and roll. 256-306-2774

**Music Murals • Dothan**
Murals on the side of buildings in downtown Dothan tell the history of the area’s music and musicians. Visitors can download an audio of the city’s murals from the Dothan Convention and Visitors Bureau’s website, thus enhancing the mural experience. 334-794-6622

**W.C. Handy Birthplace, Museum and Library • Florence**
The “Father of Blues” W.C. Handy was born in Florence. Visitors can tour his birthplace which has been turned into a museum. Handy gave the world “St. Louis Blues,” “Memphis Blues” and “Beale St. Blues.” Tour his home and the museum which includes a wealth of personal memorabilia, including his trumpet, handwritten music and the piano on which he composed “St. Louis Blues.” Open Tu-Sat. 10-4. 620 W. College St. 256-760-6434

**ALABAMA Fan Club and Museum • Fort Payne**
The music group has their official fan club headquarters and museum located in their hometown of Fort Payne. Open year round W-Sat. 9-5; Sun. 1-5. 101 Glenn Blvd SW. 256-845-1646

**ALABAMA Statues • Fort Payne**
Bronze statues of Randy Owen, Teddy Gentry, Jeff Cook and Mark Herndon are displayed at the Fort Payne City Park. Daylight hours only. Gault Ave. and 5th St. N. 256-845-3957

**Hank Williams Boyhood Home & Museum • Georgiana**
Visitors will see the surroundings that influenced country music’s greatest legend. Local musicians, including a black street singer known as “Tee-Tot,” taught Hank Williams how to play the guitar. Stories say that they would play the guitar on the front porch and during the winter, they would crawl underneath the house to play and sing near the warmth of the fireplace. Open M-Sat. 10-4. 127 Rose St. 334-376-2396

**Hank Williams Museum • Montgomery**
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**Hank Williams Museum • Montgomery**
The museum located in downtown Montgomery contains the most complete collection of memorabilia including Hank’s 1952 baby blue Cadillac, rhinestone and spangle decorated cowboy Nudie suits, albums, guitars and more. Open M-F 9-4; Sat. 10-4; Sun. 1-4. 118 Commerce St. 334-262-3600

**Hank Williams Gravesite • Montgomery**
The final resting place of Hank is located in Oakwood Cemetery in Montgomery just one mile from downtown. An astro turf ground, historic marker and four tons of concrete make up Hank’s gravesite. Look for the sign marking the route to his gravesite off the Upper Wetumpka Road. Daylight hours only. Upper Wetumpka Rd. 800-240-9452

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**Nat King Cole Home • Montgomery**
Nathaniel Adams Cole was born in Montgomery on March 17, 1919. Cole's childhood home was moved from its original location and placed on the campus of Alabama State University. Under renovation, the home is available for curbside viewing only. 1333 S. Hall St. 800-240-9452

**Rufus Payne “Tee Tot” Gravesite • Montgomery**
Rufus Payne, a blues musician widely known by his nickname “Tee-Tot,” taught Hank Williams his first chords in Georgiana. Payne also exposed the young Hank to blues and other African American influences that eventually helped him to successfully combine hillbilly, folk and blues into his own unique style that would eventually change the landscape of country music. Payne is buried in Lincoln Cemetery less than 3 miles from Hank's final resting spot. Daylight hours only. Corner of Lincoln and Harrison Rd. 800-240-9452

**FAME Recording Studios • Muscle Shoals**
This is the famous studio where Aretha Franklin recorded “I Never Loved a Man (The Way I Love You)” and “Do Right Woman, Do Right Man” while Clarence Carter began his career at FAME with the hit “Slip Away.” Step inside and go back in time as the studio’s décor remains as it did in the 60s. Still an active recording studio, tours are held M-F 8-10am by appointment. 603 E. Avalon Ave. 256-381-0801

**Alabama Blues Project • Northport**
The Alabama Blues Project is dedicated to telling the story of the state's rich blues tradition. Located directly across from a former train station where traveling blues artists would hop on and off the train when performing in Tuscaloosa, the museum contains colorful posters, murals, art and memorabilia. Open by appointment. 712 25th Ave. 205-752-6263

**Tammy Wynette Display at Red Bay Museum • Red Bay**
A large portion of the top floor of the Red Bay Museum is dedicated to country music star Tammy Wynette. Born across the state line in Mississippi, Red Bay, Alabama was the closest town to where she lived. The wedding dress she wore when she married George Jones is on display along with several of her gowns that she wore on stage and a pair of red boots she wore onstage as a child. Open Tu & Th 1:30-4pm and by appointment. 110 4th Ave. SE. 256-356-8758

**Alabama Music Hall of Fame • Tuscumbia**
The Elvis contract between Sam Phillips and RCA, the tour bus of the country group ALABAMA, costumes, clothing, gold records, a recording booth, and juke box with number one hits from the Shoals area are a few of the items on display at the Music Hall of Fame. Country singer and cowboy movie star Happy Hal Burns’ car, decked out in longhorns, pistols, buckles and saddles, is also on display. Open M-Sat. 9-5p.m.; Sun. 1-5p.m. 617 Highway 72 W. 256-381-4417

**Commodores Studio • Tuskegee**
This studio, purchased by the Commodores in 1976, was their private place for rehearsals and recordings. See backroom stage where Lionel Richie and the Commodores rehearsed their songs and stage performances. Original Commodores outfits and memorabilia are on display. Open by appointment only by calling the Tuskegee Human & Civil Rights Multicultural Center. 208 E. Martin Luther King, 334-201-9105

**Peerless Saloon • Anniston**
Opened in 1889, the Peerless Saloon is on the U.S. Register of Historic Places and features live music Thursday through Saturday nights. Thursday is open jam session night. Local and regional bands play on Friday and Saturday nights. 256-237-1899 or 256-238-1899

**Smoking Moose Saloon • Anniston** – This Noble St. establishment in downtown Anniston offers live music Friday and Saturday nights. 256-741-9300

**Live Music Venues**

**Anniston**
**Heroes An American Grille** – Where you can eat, play, drink, listen to music Thursday through Saturday. 256-405-4366

**The Peerless Saloon and Grille** – Dating back to 1899, the Peerless Saloon is on the U.S. Register of Historic Places and features live music Thursday through Saturday nights. Thursday is open jam session night. Local and regional bands play on Friday and Saturday nights. 256-237-1899 or 256-238-1899

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**Athens**
**Alabama Opry** – A variety of music shows and local talent from February-November, such as Tribute to the Grand Ole Opry, Salute to Hee Haw, Keeping Country Alive and Classic Rock and Roll. First Saturdays feature local talent. 256-206-0211

**Athens Bible School** – Every Thursday evening, the Barberson Harmony Society Chapter Chorus, Southern Splendor, rehearses. The public is welcome to come and enjoy the music. 256-232-3525

**Athens Recreation Center** – Every 1st & 3rd Thursday night the Athens Dulcimers perform. You can enjoy the music and also learn to play the dulcimer. 256-233-1262 or 256-233-8740

**Johnny's Place** – Live classic country music and dance floor, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights. 256-232-5411

**Singing on the Square at Limestone County Courthouse** – Every 3rd Friday (April – September), live concerts are held downtown on Athens square. Two local groups perform offering a variety of music including bluegrass, gospel, contemporary Christian, country and big band. 256-232-5411

**Maria Bonita Restaurant** – Live entertainment most weekends in this Mexican-style restaurant in historic downtown Athens. 256-444-1074
Village Pizza – Locally owned and operated downtown restaurant with live entertainment Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday nights and occasionally on weekends. 256-233-7627

Yesterdays Event Center – A dinner theater with a wide variety of live entertainment including the region's best specialty shows, tribute artists, dance bands, full show bands and teen bands with shows throughout the year. 256-232-2506

Auburn
Bourbon Street Bar – Three-story bar with an outdoor patio on the upper level. Located in the heart of downtown. 334-887-1166

Fat Daddy's – Open daily with live music except Mondays and Wednesdays. 334-502-1111

Piccolo – Live jazz music Friday and Saturday nights except on home football game weekends. Located inside The Hotel at Auburn University. 334-844-5140

Skybar – Large bar with live music most evenings. 334-821-4001

Strutting Duck Ale House – Local and touring bands perform most nights. Tuesday is open mic. 334-821-7277

War Eagle Supper Club – A favorite of the college crowd, this establishment offers live music on weekends and other nights on occasion. Named to Top 100 College Bars list. 334-821-4455

Bessemer
Gip's Place – Authentic juke joint in the backyard of Henry Gipson's home at 3101 Ave. C., where great blues musicians have been gathering since the 1950s. Magical atmosphere with Christmas lights and Mardi Gras beads dangling from the ceiling year round, old posters of Robert Johnson and Muddy Waters on the wall. There is no telephone number to call but you can check the MySpace site Gip'sJukeJoint to see if bands are playing on Saturday night.

Performance Center
Alabama Adventure – During the summer, concerts are held in the amphitheatre, free with admission. 205-481-4750

Birmingham
Above – Downtown rooftop bar with live music various nights of the week during warm months. 205-324-2101

Back Nine Clubhouse & Grille – Live music Friday and Saturday during the fall and Wednesday through Saturday the rest of the year at this establishment with an actual ice-top bar. 205-981-4588

Barking Kudu – Plenty of room in this restaurant compliments of their large patio. Live music Thursday through Saturday nights. 205-328-1748

Billy's Bar and Grill – Two locations in the Birmingham area, both with live music 3 nights a week. 205-956-2323

Bottletree Café – Esquire magazine called this eclectic café, which becomes a live performance establishment at night, a place that “is already stealing thunder from every small music venue in the region.” Location of TV music program “We Have Signal.” 205-533-6288

Café Firenze – A restaurant by day with live music at night Wednesday through Saturday. 205-980-1315

Courtyard Oyster Bar and Grill – Live acoustic music Wednesday through Sunday evenings with additional music Friday and Saturday nights with bands. Two locations, Southside: 205-558-4995 and Highway 280: 205-980-9891

Crush – Located at the corner of 20th and Highland where Bell Bottoms and Louie Louies was once located. Live music from cover, regional and national bands Friday and Saturday nights. 205-202-4006

Dave's Pub – Live music every Thursday on the Southside. 205-933-4030

Grey Bar – Martini-style establishment with live acoustic music Wednesday and Thursday nights with bands on Friday and Saturday. 205-874-6361

Garage Café – Live, light acoustic music is the norm every other Monday and often on Sundays at this downtown Southside establishment listed by GQ Magazine as one of the top-10 bars worth flying to. 205-322-3220

H Bar – Located inside Hotel Highland, live jazz music Tuesday through Thursday and blues on Saturday nights. 205-874-5759

Innisfree – Irish pub in the historic Lakeview Entertainment District with live music usually Thursday through Saturday. 205-252-4252

Marty's – An eclectic lineup of live music from rock & roll to blues, folk, jazz and piano bar. 205-939-0045

Metro Bistro – Artwork on every inch of the walls and live music nightly from bands playing a variety of musical styles. 205-323-7995

Moe's BBQ & Blues Revue Lakeview – Live blues-style music Friday and Saturday nights at this restaurant in the Lakeview Entertainment District. 205-252-5888

Moonlight on the Mountain – House concert-type acoustic performances are held in a mini-theater family-friendly environment on most weekends and other days of the week as artists’ schedules permit. 205-243-8851

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**The Nick** – Music heard almost every night of the week including local, regional and national bands playing a variety of musical styles in this mainstay of Birmingham’s local music scene. 205-252-3831

**Oasis** – Live music with bands Thursday through Saturday nights is part of the draw of this establishment in the Lakeview District where American Idol winner Taylor Hicks performed early in his career. 205-323-5538

**Old Car Heaven** – “Where old cars go to live forever” is the slogan at this establishment with live jazz Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and bands performing on the porch up to 5 days a week. Classic cars are throughout the building. 205-324-4545

**Ona’s Music Room** – Owned and operated by Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame inductee Ona Watson, and voted one of the Top 10 Jazzy Places in America by USA Today. Opening in a new location in Pepper Place in 2011 with live music Tuesday through Saturday. 205-322-4662

**Pale Eddie’s** – Be sure to ask about the life, myth and legend of Pale Eddie when you go to the pub named for this adventuresome Alabamian. Located in the loft district of historic downtown Birmingham, Pale Eddie’s regularly hosts live music acts playing “unplugged” Friday and Saturday nights and a singer/songwriter performance every other Thursday. 205-297-0052

**Parkside** – Located across from Avondale Park, this neighborhood bar in a historic building with 12-foot ceilings features live acoustic music most Thursday nights. 205-595-0920

**The Rare Martini** – Two-story, multiroom establishment includes dance floor and live music on most Thursday through Saturday nights. 205-323-0008

**The Red Cat** – Coffee house with indie/folk, singer songwriter and acoustic music usually featured several times monthly at this facility in the Martin Biscuit Building near Pepper Place. 205-616-8450

**Rogue Tavern** – Live music Wednesday through Saturday featuring jazz, rock and r&b. Open mic night Wednesday. Large dance floor. 205-202-4151

**Sipsey Tavern** – Touted as an old-school dive bar and music hall located in Birmingham’s 5 Points district in an historic 1906 building with exposed brick walls. Live music most Friday and Saturday nights, other nights on occasion. 205-202-4116

**Speakeasy** – Located on a quiet area of 3rd Ave. North in a building that was a bank in the 20s with brick walls and dark wood. Live music can range from 80s to punk. 205-251-1506

**Stillwater Pub** – Live music every night at this establishment located about 7 blocks from Northside, Southside, and Lakeview Entertainment areas of Birmingham. 205-202-5625

**Winery at Pepper Place** – Jazz music performed Friday and Saturday evenings. 205-250-6326

**Zydeco** – College crowd favorite with live local and national touring bands weekends and occasionally other nights. 205-933-1032

**Performance Centers**

- **Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame, Carver Theatre** – Jazz jam sessions and jazz legends such as Duke Ellington and Lionel Hampton have all been featured at this historic theatre. 205-254-2731
- **Historic Alabama Theatre** – Beautifully restored 1927 movie palace where each year 300 events are held, many featuring live music. 205-252-2262
- **UAB’s Alys Stephens Center** – One of the Southeast’s premier performing arts centers, presenting the world’s best artists in music, dance, theatre, comedy, film and family entertainment. 205-975-2787
- **Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex** – Known simply as the BJCC, this facility hosts large music events throughout the year. 205-458-8400
- **Boutwell Auditorium** – With an art deco interior, this municipal auditorium, has been the site of many historic performances and is the site of music events throughout the year. 205-254-2820
- **Sloss Furnaces** – This National Historic Landmark with its web of pipes and tall smokestacks is a unique location for many music festivals and concerts. 205-324-1911
- **WorkPlay** – Voted one of Paste Magazine’s 40 best venues in America, this establishment hosts bands in its 5,200 sq-foot soundstage. Concert dates vary with music 3-4 days a week. 205-879-4773
- **Boaz JaMoka’s** – Live music on various Friday and Saturday evenings in this coffee house. 256-593-3777
- **Cullman Berkeley Bob’s Coffee House** – A 1960s-style California Coffee House that celebrates nature, coffee, music, poetry and storytelling most Saturday nights, open mike 1st and 3rd Monday night of each month. 256-775-2944
- **Performance Center Festhalle Market Platz** – Music events occasionally held at this open-air market beneath the roof of the largest timber frame structure in Alabama. 256-775-7207 or 256-590-2003
Daphne

Baumhower's Restaurant – Live music Tuesday and Thursday nights. 251-625-4695

Bimini Bob's – Watch sunsets on the Eastern Shore and listen to live music Friday and Saturday evenings. 251-621-1357

Decatur

Brick Deli & Tavern – Deli-style food and live music Wednesday through Saturday in the heart of Decatur. 256-355-8318

Hard Dock Café – Located at the Riverwalk Marina, Hard Dock provides a relaxing atmosphere along the beautiful and commanding Tennessee River with live music certain nights. 256-340-9234

Performance Center

Princess Theatre Center for the Performing Arts – Once the site of silent movies and concerts by the Glenn Miller Orchestra and Ray Charles, this historic downtown performance center continues to hold music events throughout the year. 256-350-1745 or 256-340-1778

Dothan

Cowboys – Featuring live country music for more than 30 years on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights. 334-793-6937

D'Monico's Italian Gardens – Live music Wednesday through Saturday evenings in Frank Sinatra's Lounge. 334-702-3463

KD O'Sheas Irish Pub – Friday and Saturday nights live music. 334-792-2248

Plan B Sports Bar and Grill – Friday and Saturday nights live music. 334-792-3977

RJ Saxons – Restaurant with live music 6 nights a week, Monday-Saturday. Usually acoustic-style performances. 334-792-4024

Performance Centers

Dothan Civic Center – Twenty to thirty music concerts, from national touring bands to local performances, are held annually at this facility near city hall. 334-615-3170

Dothan Opera House – Listed on the National Register of Historic Buildings, this 1915 Victorian-style establishment is the location for up to 50 performances each year, including jazz, string and orchestra. 334-615-3172 or 334-615-3170

Dothan Cultural Arts Center – Yearly approximately a dozen jazz and classic music performances from various arts organizations are held in the old Southside Elementary School. 334-699-2787

Elberta

Pirate's Cove Marina & Restaurant – Local and regional bands perform Saturday evenings. 251-987-1224

Elkmont

Elkmont Depot – Old Railroad Depot is the place for live music and dancing at the Elkmont Pickin' and Grinnin' every Monday night. 931-427-6296

The Red Caboose – Nashville songwriters come and perform Saturday nights approximately twice a month in a charming historic area of small Elkmont. 256-306-6201

Eufaula

Legends Sports Café – Downtown establishment features live acoustical music most Friday and Saturday nights. 334-687-9184

Fairhope

Big Daddy's Grill – Located on Fish River with live music Saturday and Sunday afternoons. 251-990-8555

Fly Creek Café – Located directly on the marina next to the Fairhope Yacht Club with views of the water, live music played at this casual dining restaurant four nights a week usually Thursday through Sunday. 251-990-0902

Florence

McSharry's Irish Pub – Enjoy traditional Irish music in a traditional pub atmosphere or relax outside in the “PaddyO” garden every Sunday evening. 251-990-5100

The Pub – Located in downtown Fairhope with live music every weekend. 251-928-2032

McGraws Coffee House – Down-town coffee house and deli with live music during lunch Tuesday and Friday. 256-765-7779

Muscle Shoals to Music Row Live – Hit songwriters and artists from across America and local Muscle Shoals musicians perform live at the Marriot Shoals Conference Center once a month on a Thursday night. 256-246-3663

On the Rocks – Sample local musical talent at this trendy and eclectic nightspot in the heart of downtown Florence. Live music Thursday-Saturday. 256-760-2212

The Smokehouse – Historic Florence eatery and pool room where bands play live music each weekend from a balcony overlooking the restaurant and lounge. 256-764-0101

Swampers Lounge – Unwind as musicians pay tribute to the Shoals music heritage inside the Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa. Live music nightly, cozy fireplace and Muscle Shoals music memorabilia. 256-246-3663

Fort Payne

Ol' Tymers BBQ & Blues – Live blues during lunch Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and evenings Tuesday through Saturday with blues, country and rock. 256-418-4181
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Gadsden
Blackstone Pub & Eatery – Locally owned pub with fresh handmade pizzas. Live jazz on Tuesday evenings. Acoustic music Wednesday and Thursday. Local and regional bands perform Friday and Saturday. 256-543-7473

Chestnut Station – Local and regional bands most Friday and Saturday nights at this downtown establishment located on the street from which it gets its name. 256-546-4229

Gridiron – Downtown Gadsden establishment with live music Thursday, Friday and Saturday. 256-546-7305

Plummers Pub – Blue collar establishment with live classic rock bands the first Friday of the month. 256-547-2005

Performance Center
Historic Mort Glosser Amphitheater – Outdoor theater offering drama, music, and other special events. 256-549-4669

Greenville
Front Street Pub – Located in the heart of historic, downtown Greenville, open Wednesday through Saturday and offers pool, live music, and DJ dance parties. 334-382-2909

Gulf Shores
The Hangout – A gathering spot at the Gulf Shores Beaches in the ‘50s & ‘60s, The Hangout has returned with live bands almost every night of the week. 251-948-3030

LuLu’s at Homeport Marina – Located on the intracoastal waterway of Gulf Shores, Jimmy Buffett’s sister’s place has “Cheese Burger in Paradise” on the menu, a “Bama Breeze” bar and live music every night. 251-967-5858

Mud Bugs Pub & Club – Live music year round on Monday nights and some Saturday nights. 251-948-8081

Nolan’s Restaurant & Lounge – Overlooking the Bayou in the heart of Gulf Shores with live dance music from the 70s, 80s and 90s by Midnight Confessions Band Monday through Saturday. 251-948-2111

Papa Rocco’s – An oyster bar and pizzeria with live music nightly. 251-948-7262

Pink Pony Pub – After a day in the sun and sand, stick around for nightly live music during summer season at this establishment on the beach. 251-948-6371

Ribs and Reds Restaurant – During fall, winter and spring seasons Don Stafford, the human jukebox, performs popular songs on Thursday through Saturday. 251-948-7337

Performance Center
Erie Meyer Civic Center – Site of live music performances on occasion. 251-968-1173

Guntersville
Boondocks – Live music on some weeknights and most weekends at this downtown restaurant. 256-582-3935

Crawmama’s Steaks & Seafood – Live music Friday and Saturday nights during summer. 256-582-0484

Networks at Best Western – Live music in the lounge on weekends at the hotel where Ricky Nelson stayed before his fatal plane crash. 256-582-2220

Hoover
Gabriel’s Café – Live music from local and regional bands Friday and Saturday nights. 205-985-0983

Martini’s – Part restaurant and part nightclub, Martini’s has a dance floor and live music on weekends. 205-822-4488

Iron Horse Café – Live music seven nights of the week from regional and local bands. The Sunday night experience includes a chance to sing along with the live band karaoke-style. 205-978-5599

Huntsville
801 Franklin – Restaurant with soft live music Fridays and Saturdays. 256-519-8019

Bandito Southside Burrito Company – A neighborhood Mexican restaurant offering live music daily. 256-489-3232

Black Water Hattie’s – Biker-friendly bar with live music most Thursday through Sunday evenings. 256-489-3333

Crossroads Café – A combination of big-name touring acts and local bands play at this downtown establishment at least Wednesday through Saturday nights. 256-333-3393

Finnegan’s Pub – Authentic Irish pub with live Irish music Wednesday and Thursday nights, piano music on Friday nights and acoustic guitar performances on Saturday nights. 256-881-9732

Furniture Factory Bar & Grill – Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, hear local and regional cover bands playing mostly classic rock in this neighborhood bar and grill. 256-539-8001

Flying Monkey Art Center – Events several days each week at this establishment at Lowe Mill Arts Entertainment. Most of the performances are musical acts. 256-489-7000

Hog Wild Saloon – Live country bands Friday and Saturday nights. 256-533-7446

Hangout Music Festival • Gulf Shores
Humphrey's Bar & Grill – Live music Monday through Saturday performed outside on New Orleans-style patio if weather permits. 256-704-5555

Kaffeeklatsch Bar – An intimate bar that features acoustic and blues “jam nights.” 256-536-7993

Lee Ann's – Located downtown across from the old train depot, featuring live music from local rock-n-roll bands Tuesday through Saturday nights. 256-489-9300

Sports Page Lounge & Deli – Cozy lounge and deli with dart boards in the back and a variety of bands playing mainly rock and southern rock. 256-880-9471

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Serda’s Coffee Company – Located on Royal street with live music some weeknights and most weekends. 251-415-3000

Soul Kitchen Music Hall – Live music most Friday and Saturday nights, and other nights as schedule permits at this Dauphin Street establishment. 251-433-5958

Veets Bar and Grill – With a location on Royal Street, Veets has been a fixture in the downtown Mobile music scene for more than a decade. Live music Wednesday through Sunday. 251-694-3090

The Wine Loft – Local singers present opera arias and duets as well as music from Broadway shows on the 3rd Monday of each month. 251-341-3370

Performance Centers
Saenger Theatre Centre for the Living Arts – Opened in 1927 this European-style theater in downtown Mobile has been restored and now hosts performing arts including music concerts. 251-208-5600

Laidlaw Performing Arts Center and USA Mitchell Center – Some 6-12 music performances are held monthly at the Laidlaw, home to the University of South Alabama Music and Dramatic Arts departments. The Mitchell Center hosts multiple events including music concerts. 251-460-6101

Mobile Civic Center – Downtown facility that hosts multiple events including large music concerts. 251-208-7261

Montevallo
Main St. Tavern – With an antique wooden bar and historical photos of Montevallo on the wall, this local restaurant successfully transforms itself into a late night venue with live bands once a week on Friday or Saturday nights. 205-665-0336

Montgomery
1048 Jazz and Blues – Located in the Old Cloverdale neighborhood, live music every night of the week. 334-834-1048

Alley Bar – Located in Montgomery’s Alley Entertainment District, this bar offers live music most Wednesdays through Saturdays. 334-387-3333

Eastside Grille – Live bands perform on patio area Wednesday through Saturday most weeks from spring to fall. During winter months, bands perform inside on Thursdays and Fridays. 334-274-1200

Freeney's Bell Tavern at the Exchange at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa – Live music nightly 365 days of the year, kicking off each evening with the ringing of the bell ceremony. 334-481-5165

Harriott II Riverboat – Blues cruise offered each Sunday evening on the Alabama River. 334-625-2100

Key Largo Bar & Grill – Neighborhood Bar and Grill decorated Caribbean-style often features live music. 334-272-1401

LaSalle Blue – This jazz club located at the corner of Commerce and Bibb streets in downtown Montgomery opens Thursday nights only and features Henry Pugh, accompanied at times by a full jazz band. 334-265-2069

Marina Bar & Grill – Located on the Alabama River with scenic views of Montgomery two miles downriver. Blues, jazz, country and classic American music Thursday through Saturday nights and Sunday brunch. 334-239-8226

Rock Bottom American Pub – Live music Wednesday through Saturday at this sports bar with mostly acoustical performances on the weekdays and bands on weekends. 334-239-7625

Sous La Terre – Montgomery jazz and blues keyboard musician Henry Pugh has been playing for the late night crowd since 1978 in this underground jazz club in Montgomery at the corner of Commerce and Bibb streets. Club opens Friday and Saturday around midnight and closes at sunrise. 334-265-2069

Performance Centers
Davis Theatre for the Performing Arts – Music artists perform on occasion at this beautifully restored 1930s live performing arts venue operated by Troy University. 334-241-9567

Montgomery Performing Arts Centre – State-of-the-art facility with 1,800 seats to view a wide variety of concerts including top touring musicians. 334-481-5100

Riverwalk Amphitheater – Live music acts booked on special occasions to play at this amphitheater with a view of the Alabama River in the background and plenty of room to place your chair or blanket. 334-625-2100

Mountain Brook
Billy’s Bar and Grill – Two locations, English Village and Overton Road, both with live music 3 nights a week. 205-879-2238

Otey’s Tavern – A neighborhood establishment for more than 20 years. Otey’s has a pub-like atmosphere and patio with live music Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and most Saturday nights. 205-871-8435

Muscle Shoals
PJ’s – Live dance music Friday and Saturday nights. All forms of music represented. 256-383-1438
Sidelines Sports Deli – Live music, featuring the Decoys on Wednesday, members of famous Swampers, the Muscle Shoals Rhythm Section, and a changing schedule of live bands on Saturday. 256-389-9240

Sundance Saloon – American Western-style saloon, with musical lineup Wednesday through Saturday evenings, featuring country, classic and Southern rock; dance floor, mechanical bull rides. 256-386-1988

Trojan House Sandwich & Coffee Shop – Located just blocks from the famous Fame Studios, this alcohol-free venue features young artists strumming their guitars in front of a tip jar each Friday and Saturday evening. 256-386-7762

Opelika
Eighth & Rail – Enjoy live music in this sophisticated tavern & dessert café located in the heart of historic downtown Opelika. 334-745-5456

Irish Bred Pub – Live music from bands to solo performers featured Friday and Saturday nights in historic downtown. 334-363-2235

Performance Center
The Event Center Downtown – Giving new life to the former Coca-Cola building in downtown Opelika, this establishment retains much of the building’s original charm and is the location of numerous music events throughout the year. 334-705-5466

Orange Beach
Cosmo’s Restaurant & Bar – Located at Fish Camp Landing, restaurant features live music every night during summer season and on weekends during winter season. 251-948-9663

Flora-Bama Lounge & Package – Often called the last great American Road House, this beach establishment on the Alabama – Florida state line is the location for the Interstate Mullet Toss and other yearly events as well as year-round live music. 251-980-5118

Ginny Lane Bar and Grill at The Wharf – Live music Sunday mornings year round. Live music also during the summer season Friday and Saturday evenings. 251-224-6500

Guy Harvey’s Island Grill – Decorated with artwork from marine wildlife artist Guy Harvey, features live acoustical music Thursday through Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons during summer seasons. 251-224-8180

Live Bait at The Wharf – Local live music performed “Jimmy Buffett”-style nightly during summer season and various nights of the week during winter season. 251-224-2248

Live Bait Too! – Large dance floor and live bands weekends year round, expanding to 4-5 nights a weekend during summer. 251-974-1612

Raffers Restaurant and Sports Bar at The Wharf – Local bands perform at this establishment after concerts at The Wharf Amphitheater and during the summer season often on Friday nights. 251-224-6900

Rum Runners at The Wharf – Dueling piano entertainment year round Thursday through Saturday. Summer season weekly entertainment starts on Wednesdays. 251-224-8140

Shipps’ Harbour Grill – Located on Canal Road with casual waterfront atmosphere dining and live music every Friday and Saturday night. 251-981-9891

Shucker’s Oyster Bar at the Wharf – Live local bands Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons during summer season. 251-224-1007

Tacky Jack’s – This grill and tavern on the bay features live music Thursday through Saturday. 251-981-4144

Tipsie Steam Shack – Located in an adorable blue shack across from the Gulf of Mexico with live music year round Thursday–Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoon. 251-981-8477

Performance Center
The Wharf & The Amphitheater at The Wharf – Weekly live entertainment at locations on property and big name concerts scheduled on various dates at a 10,000-seat amphitheater. 251-224-1020

Pelham
Pub 261 – Southern Rock cover bands perform most weekends. 205-444-0261

Performance Center
Verizon Wireless Music Center – Large outdoor amphitheater located near Oak Mountain State Park and site of numerous music events throughout the year. 205-985-4900

Rabbittown Café and Fiddlers’ Hall – Spare instruments lie on the shelf waiting for visitors to pick them up and join the locals as they play each Saturday afternoon. 256-435-8008

Pike Road
Crockmier’s Grill & Bar – Along with the soothing sound of the water featured on their outside patio, live music is featured most nights Tuesday through Sunday at this restaurant located in the Pike Road Station Complex which also includes Pike Road’s Town Hall. Be sure to look for the sign inside about the prettiest women. 334-481-0490
Point Clear
Bucky’s Birdcage Lounge – Nightly live music at the lounge located inside the Grand Hotel Marriott Resort, Golf Club & Spa. 251-928-6329

Prattville
Blue Iguana Bar and Grill – Live bands almost every Saturday night playing rock or country. music. 334-358-8600
Oak Tavern – Live music Thursday through Saturdays from Jimmy Buffett-style to blues. Located inside the Marriott Prattville at Capitol Hill 334-290-1235
Roy’s – Live music Thursday and Saturday afternoons in this establishment that is a deli, museum, antique store and art gallery located at the corner with the city’s fountain in historic downtown. 334-365-4522

Rainbow City
Wagon Wheel Saloon – Located near Rainbow Plaza Shopping Center with live music most weekends. 256 442-4421

Performance Center
Center Stage – An entertainment concert hall with live music performances. 256-459-4466

Red Hill
Red Hill School House – Friday nights year round (except week of Christmas to New Year’s) open stage-style live music at the Red Hill school building auditorium where Hank Williams once drew crowds. 334-541-2474

Russellville
Roxy Theatre – Historic 1940s downtown movie theater now location for live music performance. Rockin’ at the Roxy every 2nd Saturday of the month, which draws an audience of 200 to 600 people. 256-324-2006

Scottsboro
The Docks – Restaurant on the Tennessee River featuring live music Thursday – Saturday nights at Goose Pond Colony. 256-574-3071

Sheffield
Fizz Lounge at the Emerald River Hotel – An established venue for local musicians, featuring country, rhythm and blues, and classic rock. Live music most Friday and Saturday evenings. 256-381-4710
J.D.’s Lounge – On the second and last Sunday evenings of each month, some of the best musicians in the Muscle Shoals area get together with hosts Maxwell Russell and the Shakedown Kings to jam in this neighborhood bar located downtown. 256-383-2600
Sandbar Bar & Grill – Features several areas for dining and dancing to the live music of local and regional bands playing rock n roll, blues and country each Friday and Saturday nights. 256-248-0530

Spanish Fort
Blue Gill Restaurant – Seafood restaurant also known for its live music performed Tuesday through Sunday on an outside deck overlooking Mobile Bay. 251-625-1998
Ed’s Seafood Shed – Live music 4 nights a week at this restaurant located on Mobile Bay. 251-625-1947
Felix’s Fish Camp – Local entertainers provide live music Monday through Saturday evenings and on Sunday afternoon and evening. 251-626-6710

Springville
Local Color Café – Local cozy café with live music year round Friday and Saturday nights. During summer season, Thursday night open mic and songwriters events are held on outdoor patio. Music ranges from bluegrass to gypsy jazz to standards. 205-467-0334

Sylacauga
Busy Corner at Hamilton Plumbing – It’s the local version of the Grand Ole Opry and the music is all hard core country with music every Friday night. All ages welcome. 256-207-2558
Marble City Grill – Live local or regional bands perform Saturday nights at this restaurant in historic downtown Sylacauga. 256-245-8108

Talladega
Performance Center Historic Ritz Theatre – Renovated 1930s theater restored in the original lavish Deco-style with a spring and fall performance season with more than a dozen music shows a year. 256-315-0000

Tallassee
Performance Center Tallassee Mt. Vernon Theatre – Hank Williams was just one of the famous performers to play at this historic theater built in 1935. Closed in 1968, the theater is open while undergoing renovation. 334-283-5151

Tuscaloosa
Capone’s 4th & 23rd – Located in an old building on Temerson Square at the corner of the streets from which it gets its name. Live bands perform Thursday-Saturday. 205-752-3449
Copper Top – Located in Temerson Square in downtown Tuscaloosa with pool tables and live music most nights. 205-343-6867
Dixie on the Strip – Located “on the strip” near the University of Alabama campus with live bands every Thursday through Saturday. 205-248-6611
The Filling Station – Pool tables, pinball machines, outdoor patio and live music on certain nights. 205-764-0924
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Gnemis Top Shelf Tavern – Downtown tavern with live music every night. 205-343-0020

Harry’s Bar – Perhaps the oldest bar in Tuscaloosa, Harry’s has been around for almost 40 years. Live music most nights of the week. 205-758-9332

Little Willie’s – This small club features jazz memorabilia on the walls and live music from local bands and jazz musicians on certain nights. 205-366-0913.

Rhythm & Brews – Features live regional and local bands performing most Thursday through Saturday nights. 205-750-2992

Performance Center
Bama Theatre – Originally constructed in 1937 through FDR’s New Deal as a Public Works Administration project. Renovated to a performing center in 1976, the facility holds concerts and events of all types including touring and local music acts. 205-758-5195

Tuskegee
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center – Every Friday evening, live jazz performed at the lounge in the hotel located on the campus of historic Tuskegee University. 334-727-3000

Tuscumbia
Frank’s Italian Restaurant – The stylishly decorated restaurant offers live music every Saturday night April through fall and Friday evenings in September and October. 256-314-4407

Rattlesnake Saloon at Seven Springs Lodge – Built under an ancient Indian bluff shelter, outdoor stage features live country music Thursday through Saturdays. 256-370-7220

Spring Park Market – Live music Thursday afternoons from June through August at the farmer’s market located at Tuscumbia’s Spring Park. 256-764-0044

Valley
Performance Center
Langdale Theater – Restored historic theater where Glenn Miller and Guy Lombardo orchestras performed as well as pianist Floyd Cramer, The Drifters and The Kingston Trio. Music performances are still held there. 334-756-3418

Vernon
Back Street Opry – As many as 25 local artists perform every Saturday night in historic theatre building. 205-695-7029

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