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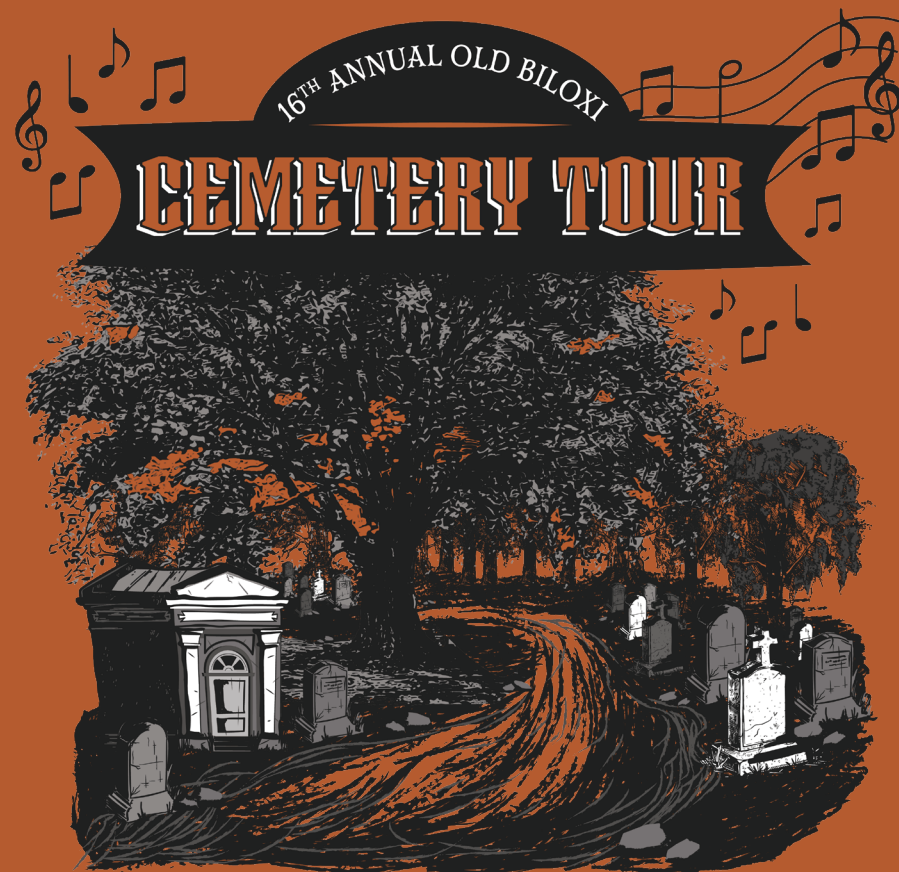
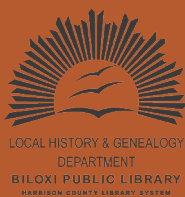
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◆ MUSIC-MAKERS OF BILOXI ◆

PRESENTED BY: PRESERVE BILOXI

OLD BILOXI CEMETERY
1166 IRISH HILL DRIVE

SUNDAY, OCT. 16, 2022,
2-4 P.M.

AND

TUESDAY, OCT. 18, 2022,
5-7 P.M.

This year's theme, Music Makers of Biloxi, features tales of musical Biloxians and more

All tours are free and open to the public. Donations are encouraged.
For more information call 228-374-3105.



Production Staff

Casting:..... Charlene Deaton, Laurie Rosetti

Research: Laurie Rosetti, Jane Shambra, Dr. Deanne Stephens
(with special thanks to Tim Wallis and Charles Maniaci)

Photography &

Videography: August Taconi

Costuming: Sheri Munter

Executive Producer: Bill Raymond

Associate Producer &

Logistics: Kay Miller

Volunteer Recruitment: ... Lee Ann Dubaz

Finance/Accounting: Tina Ross Seamans

Writers: – Raymond Egers, Jr. (Raymond "Red" Egers, Sr. script)
 – Bryan Rosetti, Jr. (Clarence "Kenny" Harder script)
 – Laurie Rosetti (scripts: Gloria Pemberton, Marion "Prof" Carpenter, Emile "Junie" Desporte, The Rockin' Rebels, Dorothy Dell Goff, Princess Whitecloud, Fiddlin' Peter Lepre, Maritza Pitalo Rosetti)
 – Dr. Deanne Stephens (Jelly Roll Morton)

Director: Laurie Rosetti

Character	Actor	Story
Raymond "Red" Egers 1/25/1909-4/15/1983	Clayton Pennylegion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City of Biloxi Water Dept. Manager, Bandleader, Drummer Tells story of his musical peers during the 40s
Ferdinand Joseph LaMothe "Jelly Roll Morton" 9/20/1890-7/10/41	Corey Christy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tells of the birth of jazz and jazz roots in Biloxi
Emile "Junie" Desporte 6/3/1947-1/3/2007	Cree Cantrell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leader and Trumpet Player of the local band The Chanteles Co-owner and Operator of Desporte's Seafood, his family-owned business
Maritza Rosetti Pitalo 7/27/1895-3/8/1986	Amy Polite (Sunday) Kathe Newcomb (Tuesday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An immigrant to Biloxi from Austria (Yugoslavia) in the early 1900s Tells the 1956 story of Elvis at The Slavonian Lodge and of his visits to Carole Marie Manuel, a little Biloxi girl at Biloxi Hospital
Gloria Cannette Pemberton 1/28/1925-6/18/2012	Andrea Deaton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gloria & The Playmates Band Broadwater house band for 30 years (late 40s-late 70s)
Marion "Prof" Carpenter 7/29/1918-3/11/1983	Boyce Deaton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Musician, Bandleader, School Band Director, Record Producer, Music Shop Owner, Songwriter
Dorothy Dell Goff 1/30/1915-6/8/1934	Mollie McCarroll	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Miss Biloxi 1929 Became a Ziegfeld Follies Girl, landed three roles in major motion pictures; she sang in all three movies including with Shirley Temple Died in a tragic car accident
Fiddlin' Peter Lepre 7/12/1899-10/15/1990	Brennan Prince	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiddle Player Extraordinaire, Traveler Rode his bicycle across Back Bay Bridge to music jobs
Ray Fournier 2/7/1942-11/15/2020 Walter Blessey 4/17/1939-9/17/2017 Salvadore "Penue" Taranto 11/27/1937-4/3/2016	Dennis Burke Wayne Stephens Jimmy Williams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Rockin' Rebels Members discuss Biloxi of the late 1950s and how the teenagers became a band
Clarence "Ken" Harder 2/24/1916-3/11/1999	Bryan Rosetti	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Musician, Bandleader Innovator of the "One-Man Band" which he called the One-Kat Kombo
Princess Whitecloud 5/18/1902-1/5/1981	Tina Ball Johnston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opera Singer, Performer, Musician, Piano and Organ Teacher for decades in Biloxi Played in the mall for Werlein's Music Store in the 60s