

Buy Michigan Now festival offers food, fun

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Lots of **summer** festivals and fairs feature out-of-state artists, entrepreneurs and companies, but not this one.

Buy Michigan Now is hosting its second annual **festival** in downtown Northville Friday through Sunday, offering area residents an opportunity to discover and support Michigan businesses and initiatives.

“Joining the local merchants will be vendors from around the state showcasing and selling unique art, tasty **food**, helpful services, cool products and inspired inventions,” said Lisa Diggs, founder of the Buy Michigan Now campaign. “Several will even be launching new products.”

Musical performances ranging from folk to jazz and alternative rock and alternative country will take place throughout the weekend. Rising stars like Abigail Stauffer and Avienne are scheduled to appear as well as acclaimed Detroit **music** veterans like David Nefesh and Nadir Omowale. Northville's popular Summer Friday Night Concert Series features The Crutches, an East Lansing band playing contemporary rock n' roll with a splash of funk and soul.

Attendance and parking at the festival are free. Special children's **activities** are planned each day in the Kids Zone. A health fair is hosted Friday, a barter fair is hosted Saturday and Sunday is the women's day with a Styleline magazine fashion show.

Visit www.hometownlife.com to view the official event guide or www.buymichigannow.com for more details.

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