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## “THE MUSIC’S IN GOOD HANDS” - ANDY MAY’S ACOUSTIC KIDS SHOWCASE RETURNS TO GUITAR TOWN AT COPPER MOUNTAIN

Young musicians: [Apply now](#) to perform on-stage at the annual guitar legends’ festival.

COPPER MOUNTAIN, CO (June 1, 2017) Veteran musician and music educator, [Andy May](#), will once again host his beloved [Acoustic Kids Showcase](#) at Copper Mountain’s [Guitar Town](#) on Saturday, August 12. This is a free event.

Acoustic Kids is not a contest. The program provides a welcoming opportunity for **musicians and singers aged 16 or younger** to perform at this world-famous festival. Young musicians of **all skill levels** are encouraged to apply. The **application deadline is July 15**, and details and application forms are available at [andymay.com/acoustic-kids-guitar-town](http://andymay.com/acoustic-kids-guitar-town).

As a show, Acoustic Kids Showcases are not just for kids: They are a chance for music lovers of all ages to see and applaud the next generation of musicians. Through the years, hundreds of talented youngsters have appeared in Acoustic Kids Showcases at festivals around the U.S. - including some who have gone on to have a career in music. **Past participants** include [Nickel Creek](#), who went on to international stardom, and up-and-comers like [Myles Thompson](#), [Kitty Amaral](#), [Ethan Setiawan](#), and [Presley Barker](#).

“Andy has a remarkable ability to make kids feel welcomed and valued as a person and musical contributors,” said [Sara Watkins of Nickel Creek](#). “I’m so glad Acoustic Kids has stayed involved in the community, because not only does it help kids make wonderful memories, but as they grow up they’ll remember that their contribution is important.”

This year, the [Acoustic Kids Ambassadors](#), a spin-off of Acoustic Kids Showcases, will open the festival’s Main Stage on Saturday. The Ambassadors set shines a spotlight on young **emerging artists** as they represent the Acoustic Kids program to a broader audience. These young professionals will leave you no room for doubt that, *“The music is in good hands!”*

In addition to Guitar Town, Andy May hosts annual Acoustic Kids Showcases at [MerleFest](#) (Wilkesboro, NC) and the [Walnut Valley Festival](#) (Winfield, KS).



*Gwenth Aggeler performs in the 2016 Acoustic Kids Showcase at Guitar Town*

May is an accomplished songwriter and performer in his own right and a popular educational workshop presenter at festivals and at the [Country Music Hall of Fame](#) in Nashville, TN. His 2016 CD, [Room for Roots](#), was warmly received by Indie Country and Americana radio, with multiple songs charting and the album itself making *Roots Music Report’s Top Americana Country Albums of 2016*.

Andy May's Acoustic Kids Showcase will take place on the **West Lake Stage from 6-8 p.m. on Saturday August 12**. The Ambassadors will perform on the **Main Stage at 11:40 a.m.** the same day. Copper’s Guitar Town is a completely free event and open to the public.

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