

WEEK : MAY 26, 2025

WTSQ [ON RECORD] Spinning the NEW Narratives

Tuning Into Music, Events & Culture



All Event Information can be found on our website



Join the Women's Health Center at Base Camp Printing Co., located at 1314 Hansford St, Charleston, WV, on Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 6:00 PM. Enjoy hands-on, reproductive-justice-themed printmaking with all materials, snacks, and drinks provided. Scotty Johnson as your MC for the evening.

THUR MAY 29
6 PM

Follow Base Camp Printing Co on Facebook



Charleston's iconic music venue, The Empty Glass, will host a hard-hitting night of metal on Friday, May 30. The lineup features local and regional heavyweights Sinz of Eden, Below 7, and Executionist. The show kicks off at 9:30 PM, promising an intense evening of powerful riffs and high energy for metal fans in the capital city.

FRI MAY 30
9:30 pm

Follow The Empty Glass on Facebook

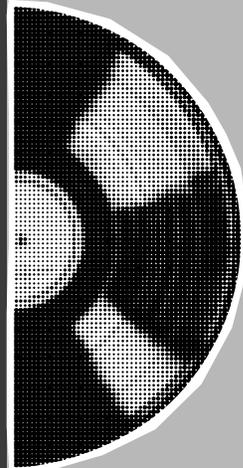


Kick off summer with live music, great food, local beer and wine, and fun for all at Charlie West Music Fest! Hosted by Fund for the Arts and Spilman Thomas & Battle, this riverside event supports 11 local arts groups. Bring your friends, chairs, and blankets, kids 12 and under get in free with a paying adult!

SAT MAY 31
3 - 10 PM

Event info at

fundfortheartswv.ticketspice.com/charlie-west-music-fest-2025



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MOUNTAIN STATE spotlight

Mountain State Spotlight is an investigative newsroom founded in 2020 to address the decline of traditional media in West Virginia. With support from national journalism organizations like ProPublica and Report for America, as well as local philanthropic partners, the organization has built a sustainable model grounded in public service journalism and reader support. Rooted in the legacy of “sustained outrage” journalism—a term coined by the late Charleston Gazette publisher W.E. Chilton III—Mountain State Spotlight is committed to exposing abuses of power in government, business, and other institutions. Its reporting aims to foster accountability and reform by revisiting injustices until meaningful change occurs. Through its website, the newsroom publishes in-depth investigations, explanatory pieces on complex policy issues, and stories that amplify the voices of everyday and often marginalized West Virginians. All content is freely accessible and shared with local media outlets across the state. Community support through newsletter subscriptions, donations, and news tips helps power their mission and ensure the people of West Virginia remain informed and empowered.

Check them out at:
mountainstatespotlight.org



AS PART OF FIVE BREWING'S 3RD ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, THE COMMUNITY GATHERED FOR A VIBRANT SHOWCASE OF LOCAL CREATIVITY AND COLLABORATION. THE CELEBRATION FEATURED THE NEW MURAL IN THE BRAWLEY WALKWAY, PAINTED BY CHARLESTON-BASED ARTIST NICOLE WESTFALL ALONG WITH EMILY AND BETSY SOKOLOSKY, SISTERS AND OWNERS OF BASE CAMP PRINTING CO. LOCATED JUST ACROSS THE STREET FROM WTSQ, THE MURAL ADDS VIBRANT ENERGY TO THE HEART OF DOWNTOWN, SHOWCASING HOW HOMEGROWN TALENT AND BUSINESSES CONTINUE TO ENRICH THE CITY'S CREATIVE SPIRIT.

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NEW MUSIC MONDAY

This week, Lou has handpicked a fresh lineup of 25 rising artists for your listening pleasure. Discover standout tracks like Reflected by DIIV, Sugar by NoSo, Touch & Go by Smut, Break Right by Hotline TNT, and Aerial Troubles by Stereolab.

Head to the link below to explore the full playlist and save it directly to your Spotify. Don't forget to check back every Monday for a brand-new batch of music—only on New Music Monday, curated by Lou.

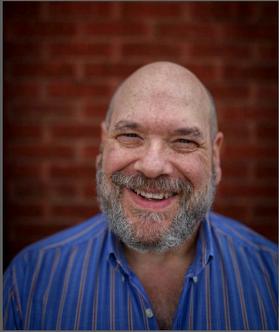


TOP 8 WITH EMILY

In this week's Top 8, WTSQ's Emily Beane weaves a playlist that captures the absurdity, beauty, and bittersweet truths of our modern moment. Reflecting on hypernormalisation and the eerie surrealism of our times, she offers music as a kind of emotional refuge. From the genre-blurring intensity of Babymetal and Poppy's "From Me to U" to the dreamy, Appalachian-rooted debut from Charleston's own Woodbine, the list showcases artists who push boundaries and tap deep into feeling. It's not just a playlist—it's a soundtrack for existing in strange times, curated with raw honesty, local love, and a sharp ear for what hits hard and lingers longer. Check out the music videos and full playlist now on WTSQ.

WITHIN THE STATION

⚡ MOUNTAIN STATE UPDATE WITH DAN HEYMAN ⚡



Mountain State Update is WTSQ's weekly news talk show, spearheaded by Dan Heyman, that explores politics, policy, and current events from across West Virginia. With a special focus on under-covered issues in Charleston, the show features two guests each week offering conversations you won't hear anywhere else. MSU is proud to spotlight voices who know what matters most to our state, including West Virginia's top-tier journalists, who use the platform to amplify their reporting. Recently, the show has been closely following efforts to roll back Medicaid expansion – a move that could severely impact working families and threaten the viability of hospitals across the state, particularly in rural communities.

Find his past pieces at:
www.mixcloud.com/danheyman



NELSONVILLE MUSIC FESTIVAL TAKING PLACE IN NELSONVILLE, OH JUNE 20TH - 22ND.

You can win 2 general admission tickets to this year's festival!

Note:
Non-transferable
Parking & Camping passes are not included

How to Enter:
Visit our [Contest Page on WTSQ.org](#) and tell us which artist performing at this year's festival you're most excited to see. That's it!

Entries close Thursday, June 15th at MIDNIGHT!

Winner announced Friday during The Morning Mix with Mya.

Don't miss your shot at one of the best festivals in the region!

Event info at
nelsonvillefest.org



ON MAY 25, 2015, A KEY MILESTONE IN THE LAUNCH OF WTSQ 88.1 FM WAS REACHED—ONE OF SEVERAL PIVOTAL MOMENTS DURING OUR FOUNDING YEAR THAT HELPED BRING THE STATION TO LIFE: WE INSTALLED OUR FIRST ANTENNA ATOP THE UNION BUILDING IN DOWNTOWN CHARLESTON. SOON AFTER, IT BEGAN BROADCASTING CHARLESTON'S BELOVED INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY RADIO STATION, WTSQ 88.1 FM – THE STATUS QUO. AS WE APPROACH OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY, WE'LL BE SHARING MORE MILESTONES THAT HELPED SHAPE OUR JOURNEY. FOLLOW ALONG AND CELEBRATE WITH US BY FOLLOWING WTSQ ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS, SUPPORTERS, AND LISTENERS WHO MAKE IT ALL POSSIBLE !

**POWER COMMUNITY RADIO –
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TODAY**

Since 2015, WTSQ 88.1 FM has been a lifeline for music lovers and the Charleston community, bringing independent, non-commercial radio to the airwaves. From alternative to punk, funk to folk, and everything in between, our passionate volunteers curate diverse programming that keeps WTSQ vibrant and unique. We've supported local musicians, broadcast from major community events, and expanded our reach with Charles Tunes and a brand new community Podcast Studio- all because of you.



FULL PROGRAMMING INFORMATION AND STREAMING ONLINE AT WTSQ.ORG
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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7 AM	MORNINGS WITH LOU					7 AM	RADIO SURVIVOR	HONKY TONK HOLIDAY
8 AM	DEMOCRACY NOW!					8 AM	DEAD AIR	PHONOMELET
9 AM	THE MORNING MIX W/MYA					9 AM	FLOWER POWER	TROP ROCK W/SAILOR ROB
10 AM	THE AFTERNOON SHOW W/JOSH					10 AM	BREAKING DOWN THE PRESSURE	TAILGATE SPORTS SHOW
11 AM						11 AM	OTTO DJ	MOUNTAIN STATE UPDATE
NOON						NOON	ALL SKATE	SHANNON'S STASH
1 PM	OTTO DJ	OTTO DJ	OTTO DJ	OTTO DJ	OTTO DJ	BLACK DOG BLUES	OTTO DJ	THE CROW'S NEST
2 PM	POWER POP HOUR	THE BEER FRAME	SIT N' SPIN	DRIVE TIME W/LORA	TRAFFIC JAMS		OTTO DJ	CRUSIN' THE BOULEVARD
3 PM	DEALER'S CHOICE	THE BRIDGE	HEARTSMILES	90% 90S 10% OF THE TIME	B FRIDAY		OTTO DJ	WINELIGHT
4 PM	THE VINYL FRONTIER	THE CROSSFADE	GROUP E	2 GUYS, 1 SHOW	FRIDAY VIBES		OTTO DJ	NEVER MISS A SUNDAY SHOW
5 PM		WELCOME THE NIGHT	FUNKY 16 CORNERS	CERTIFIED STEADY	FRIDAY NIGHT POP UP PARTY		OTTO DJ	CRUSIN' THE DECADES
6 PM				ESSENTIAL HOUSE RADIO SHOW				
7 PM								
8 PM								
9 PM								
10 PM								
11 PM								
MIDNIGHT	BUGS WRRRLD	REVOLT INTO SOUND	OTTO DJ	BOTTOM OF THE POPS				
1 AM								



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**TURN IT UP:
UNDERWRITER
SPOTLIGHT**



Charleston's own FestivALL returns for its 21st year from May 28 to June 1, transforming the city into a vibrant work of art. This beloved celebration features live music, visual art, theater, dance, and family-friendly activities. This year, FestivALL goes back to basics, highlighting flagship events it directly produces, including the Three Things speaker series, the Capitol Street Art Fair and Children's Art Fair, Art-for-ALL, and the popular Carriage Trail Walk. Attack Theatre returns with interactive performances throughout the city, and the Fund for the Arts will host the Charlie West Music Fest on Saturday, May 31.



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