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# SANDING OVATIONS

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## Treasure Island's sand sculpting festival "Sanding Ovarations" features 3 days of live music on the beach

As the sun sets into the Gulf of Mexico and the sand sculpting wraps up for the day, the World Famous Ka'tiki Stage at Sanding Ovarations in Treasure Island comes alive with three days of live music on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. From blues legends, new artists to the scene, and those at the height of their careers, Sanding Ovarations creates one-of-a-kind performances not seen anywhere else. With artists like **Selwyn Birchwood**, **Sarasota Slim**, **Pirate Flag Band** and **Copious Jones**, plus the backdrop of Treasure Island's wide-open shoreline view, the beach will be packed and rocking'.

Friday night is blues night with headliner **Selwyn Birchwood**, a guitar and lap-steel-playing bundle of pure energy who delivers his original songs with a revival tent preacher's fervor and a natural storyteller's charisma. Selwyn's high-octane blues show starts at 8:30pm. **Sarasota Slim's Blues Extravaganza**, featuring a dazzling lineup of players whom Slim likes to make music with, opens this grand evening at 6pm.

Saturday's theme is pure rock and country, and that means none other than the **Pirate Flag Band**, the premiere touring Kenny Chesney Tribute Band in America, headlining the World Famous Ka'Tiki stage at 8pm, followed by the **Allied Specialty Insurance Fireworks Show** at 10pm. The beach party starts Saturday afternoon at 2pm with the popalicious **Motel Funk** playing rock with a funky twist and **Railway Kings** at 3:30, skillfully delivering modern county-rock and radiating a keen American flavor and irresistible vibe. The Sunset Jam at 5pm features both Motel Funk and Railway Kings in an hour-long super-jam, a first for Sanding Ovarations.

The next great band out of Atlanta is no doubt **Copious Jones**, and they headline "Hippie Day" and the last day of Sanding Ovarations. Great original songs, fresh instrumentation and influences from Paul Simon to Pink Floyd to the Grateful Dead, Copious Jones soars with inventive music and lyrics. Their set begins at sunset at 5:45pm. Hippie Day starts at noon with **WMNF's Pete Gallagher and the Florida Folk Show**, featuring the **Florida Boys**, **Gypsy Wind** and **Capt. Dan Mobely**. **Boxcar Hollow**, with their high-energy Americana, a boom-chicka-boom-chicka beat and soulful lyrics, make their Sanding Ovarations debut at 2pm. **Screaming J's**, from Asheville, North Carolina, is a combination of honky-tonk, bluegrass, gospel and ragtime, and makes for an outrageous groove-shakin' good time. They play at 3pm. The funk-flavored, rock-soul-infused groove factory known as **Holey Miss Moley** is back and better than ever, playing Sanding Ovarations at 4:15pm.

Sanding Ovarations is a City of Treasure Island Parks & Recreation Department event. It's free, open to the public, and on the beach in Treasure Island at 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Gulf Boulevard. Parking available at several Gulf Boulevard lots. Call 727-547-4575 ext. 237 for details or go to [www.mytreasureisland.com](http://www.mytreasureisland.com) and click on "Sanding Ovarations" under the Visitors tab.