

Press Release

Carter Family Memorial Music Center, Inc.

Saturday, June 16th, 2018, at 7:30 p.m., the Carter Family Fold in Hiltons, Virginia, will present a concert by the Whiskey Bent Valley Boys – an old time band. Admission to the concert is \$10 for adults, children 6 to 11 \$2, under age 6 free. Tickets are available at the door. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. The Carter Family Museum and the Carter Birthplace Cabin are open from 6:00 p.m. till show time and again when we take intermission between sets.

This concert will be the second for the Whiskey Bent Valley Boys at the Carter Family Fold. Their first performance prompted many requests for them to play again at the Fold. You need only view one of their videos on the internet to see why the Whiskey Bent Valley Boys fit the Fold perfectly. The Boys will take you through the hills of old Kentucky with mountain songs, stories and traditions dating back a century. This old time band delivers with an intensity that would knock the socks right off their forefathers' feet.

Hailing from the back woods of Pewee Valley, Kentucky, the Whiskey Bent Valley Boys pay homage to their southern kin. Songs from the tobacco fields to the rivers, iron skilletts to moonshine stills – upbeat and professional, this band possesses the skill to honor history and preserve the instruments, their style and every authentic nuance of the day. With their sense of fashion - from overalls to string ties, straw hats to silk vests, along with a turbo charged performance, their approach breathes fire into this vintage genre.

Incorporating time honored treasures from such icons as Roscoe Holcomb, the Stanley Brothers, and fiddle legend Tommy Jarrell, or a roster of original compositions including crowd-pleasers *Graveyard Blues* or *Shady River* – the band puts on both a



timeless and energized show - playing everything from ballads, breakdowns, sea shanties, and swamp stomps. Audiences from children on their parent's knee to packed saloons past midnight enjoy their show, and the Boys also find favor with the older generation. That's quite a broad range of appeal!

The Boys take cues from parents and grandparents who have tapped into folk, country and bluegrass through festivals, radio and endless collections of vinyl recordings. Band founder Colonel Mason Dixon hails from a long line of musicians and will tell you it's not so much in the whiskey as it is in the DNA. Each member's family performs and enjoys the indigenous music of the Appalachian foothills and pastures of Kentucky.

Appearances on a wide range of radio and TV programs, state fairs, square dances and festivals have brought them an active fan base in our region. Often times the boys bring a delicious yield of their summer crops to gigs in bushel baskets for the taking. Going even more down-to-earth, their CD packaging material is "green." All of their packaging is made from industrial hemp paper and recycled cardboard with friendly to the environment, vegetable-based inks.

No matter what's chillin' in your mason jar – hopefully sweet tea – come on out for a live show where the Whiskey Bent Valley Boys will be pounding out the swing dancing, foot stompin', hard driving tunes that are guaranteed to tickle your innards. For more information on the band, check them out on YouTube or visit their web site at

<http://whiskeybentvalley.tumblr.com/>. Pack up all your family and friends and join us for a night of old time mountain family fun. Don't forget your dancing shoes!



Carter Family Memorial Music Center is a nonprofit, rural arts organization established to preserve traditional, acoustic mountain music. The center is a family-friendly, drug and alcohol free venue. In addition to the performance area, we maintain the Carter Family Museum and the A.P. Carter birthplace cabin. Both the cabin and the museum are historic landmarks and are open from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and later at performance intermission on Saturdays. For more information on the center, go to our site on the internet –www.carterfamilyfold.org/. Partial program funding for programs is provided by the *Virginia Commission for the Arts* the *National Endowment for the Arts*. and technical assistance are provided by *Virginia Tourism Corporation*. To access

recorded information on shows coming up at the Fold, call 276-386-6054. We can be found on Facebook – page Carter Fold – and Twitter – @carterfoldinfo. To speak to a Fold volunteer staff member, call 276-594-0676. If we don't answer you right away, we'll get back to you in 24 hours.