

The Mamou Cajun Music Festival began as a one-day festival presenting some of the local Cajun musicians to the citizens of Mamou and Evangeline Parish. It has since become what it is today, a two-day music festival, presenting traditional Cajun musicians, dancing, food, and contest. In the early 1970's, some of the citizens of Mamou grew concerned that our culture was dying. These people felt that there was a need to renew the community's interest in our culture; this was born the Mamou Cajun Day. In it's beginning, some 20 or so volunteers presented this festival, which was then sponsored by the Mamou Area Jaycees.

In the early 1980's, this group officially became the **Mamou Cajun Music Festival**. On February 11, 1985, this organization gained its non-profit status as a corporation based on the premise that we would dedicate ourselves to the **"preservation of our Cajun culture and heritage through our traditional Cajun music"**. At the same time, this event promotes the preservation of our culture by gaining the interest of our children, the citizens of Mamou, and the many tourists who visit out festival from all over the world. Our organization takes pride in the fact we have been able to continue the traditions of our culture and have been able to provide a platform for many traditional Cajun musicians in our area, through which they can gain exposure and compensation for their art.

In its present form, our organization has all volunteer membership of 60 to 70 individuals from Mamou and the surrounding area. Terral Aymond is the President of the organization and the project director. Other officers include our Vice-president, Mark Young, Secretary, Tessie Manuel; and Treasurer, Wanda Verrette. All proceeds received are used to prepare and present the next annual festival to ensure our Cajun Culture lives on...



"Preserving our Heritage Through our Music"

43rd Annual Mamou Cajun Music Festival 2014

This year honoring: "Isom Fontenot"

September 19th & 20th 2014

Location: Mamou Recreational Center Complex
(Main Street adjacent to Hwy 13)
20,000 sq ft – AIRCONDITIONED FACILITY

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Our "Special Thanks" to all who attend and support our festival
..... Mamou Cajun Music Festival Staff

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2014 - Music Schedule

Friday - September 19, 2014:

6:00-7:30PM: Jam Session

7:45-10:00PM: Kevin Naquin & the Ossun Playboys

Saturday - September 20, 2014:

9:00-11:00AM: David Fontenot & Friends

**11:15-1:15PM: Briggs Brown & the Fall Down
Playboys**

1:30-3:30PM: Pete Bergeron & the Bayou Boys

3:30PM: HONOREE PRESENTATION

Isom Fontenot (Honoree)

**4:00-6:30PM: Jamie Bergeron & the
Kickin Cajuns**

6:45-9:00PM: Troy Lejeune & Cajun Revue

2014 - Games Schedule

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

Time Contest

9:00 PM Potato Dance

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

Time Contest

11:00 AM Egg Throwing (Adults & Children)

11:45 AM Cajun Dizzy Dash

12:00 PM Children's Sack Race

12:15 PM Boudin Eating

1:00 PM Children Watermelon Eating

1:15 PM Women's Beer Drinking

1:30 PM Men's Beer Drinking

1:45 PM Washerboard Tournament

2:15 PM Children's Guinea Chase

3:15 PM Women's Arm Wrestling

3:45 PM Men's Arm Wrestling

4:15 PM Women's Nail Driving

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5:15 PM Women's Passe Partout

5:45 PM Men's Passe Partout

6:15 PM Greased Pole Climbing

2014 - Workshops

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

Time

Workshop

1:00 - 2:00 PM Cajun Dancing with Jim Hooter & Karen
Booth from "The Cajun Dance Co"