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THE BLACK LILLIES TO HEADLINE 28th ANNUAL CAROUSEL FESTIVAL

On September 19th and 20th, Burlington's City Park will transform into a bustling festival ground. Fair food will meet locally-sourced gourmet cuisine. Artisans and craft vendors will offer custom and handmade items you'll be hard-pressed to find elsewhere. Entertainment will take place on three stages and will range from local legends to new and exciting acts, culminating with a performance by national recording act, The Black Lillies.

The Black Lillies, led by front man, Cruz Contreras, will do just about anything to get a crowd dancing to their unique blend of Americana, rock, and blues. Hailing from eastern Tennessee, The Black Lillies have made no fewer than 30 appearances at the Grand Ole Opry and have played to packed crowds of festivals such as Bonnaroo and South by Southwest. According to Vanity Fair, "with one foot planted firmly in Appalachian music culture and the other always expanding and evolving, The Black Lillies have created a unique sound embraced by fans old and young."

The Black Lillies will bring their fusion of mandolin, banjo, pedal steel, and piano sounds to the main stage at the Jimmy Combs amphitheater at 4:30pm on Sunday, September 20th. Get there early with your chairs and blankets and prepare to enjoy a raucous show by what is likely to become your new favorite band. Don't forget the festival starts at 1pm on Sunday. The Megan Doss band will kick off the music at the Main stage followed by Chatham County Line.

Learn more about the Black Lillies at their [website](#) and sample two of their hits from their most recent album, Runaway Freeway Blues, on Youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvFOThAymSo>

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The Carousel Festival will take place 10am-6pm on Saturday, September 19th and from 1p-6pm on Sunday, September 20th. For more information about all the 28th annual Carousel Festival has to offer, visit www.btowneventsnc.com/carousel-festival.html. Vendor applications and entertainment interest forms are still being accepted and can also be found online.

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