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Header: **Four Lakes Traditional Music Collective
welcomes the Crooked Jades**

Slug: Sugar Maple Concert series continues with an old-time concert benefiting the 2006 Sugar Maple Traditional Music Festival.



Madison, WI - San-Francisco old-time mainliners **The Crooked Jades** will be performing at the High Noon Saloon on Sunday, May 28 as part of the 2006 Sugar Maple Concert Series. The band is on a CD release tour supporting their sixth career recording *World's On Fire* (Jade Note Music), released earlier this year. Their stop in Madison for a Memorial Day Weekend concert is part of a short upper Midwest tour.

Crooked Jades bring fresh arrangements to their deep repertoire of songs while holding a strong early feel. Droning fiddle, fretless banjo and old harmonies also make way for ukulele and jaw harp and the overall result is a band with a cohesive and traditional sound. The group also adds to the tradition with their own songs and tunes.

Madison's **The Redbirds**, who performed at the inaugural 2004 Sugar Maple Music Festival, open the show with a set of trio based fiddle tunes and songs. Featuring John Fabke and Paul Kienitz from the Nob Hill Boys as well as newly added Josh Perkins, also a former Nob Hill Boy, the group will bring their repertoire of old-time, bluegrass and cajun to the concert.

A portion of the proceeds will go towards the 3rd annual Sugar Maple Traditional Music Festival to be held at Lake Farm County Park on July 28 & 29 this year. Specially priced early bird tickets will be available at the show for those planning on attending the festival.

"Old-time string music that might appeal as much to the pierced generation as to their great grandparents, the Crooked Jades are a band of West Coast pickers with equal parts attitude and respect. They transform a form of music that thrives on energy by replacing the coal with musical nukes, along the way evoking the music's original purpose by making the listener want to get up and dance." **Chicago Tribune, "Best CDs of 2002" Dave Royko**

"This string-driven San Francisco-based trad outfit is one of the best of the new generation of string bands, infusing old-timey hillbilly standards and originals with remarkable verve." **Strings Magazine**

"[The Crooked Jades are] A superlative example of American folk art."
Bluegrass Unlimited

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Our Mission Statement: Four Lakes Traditional Music Collective is a non-profit organization supporting the art of traditional music and dance throughout the greater Madison community. We provide educational and performance opportunities that bring together people of all ages to celebrate diverse musical traditions.

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**High-Noon Saloon**

**May 28, 2006**

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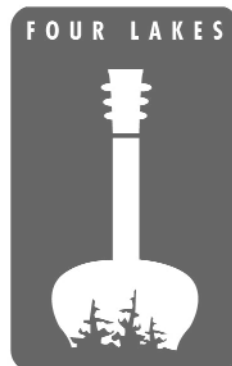
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