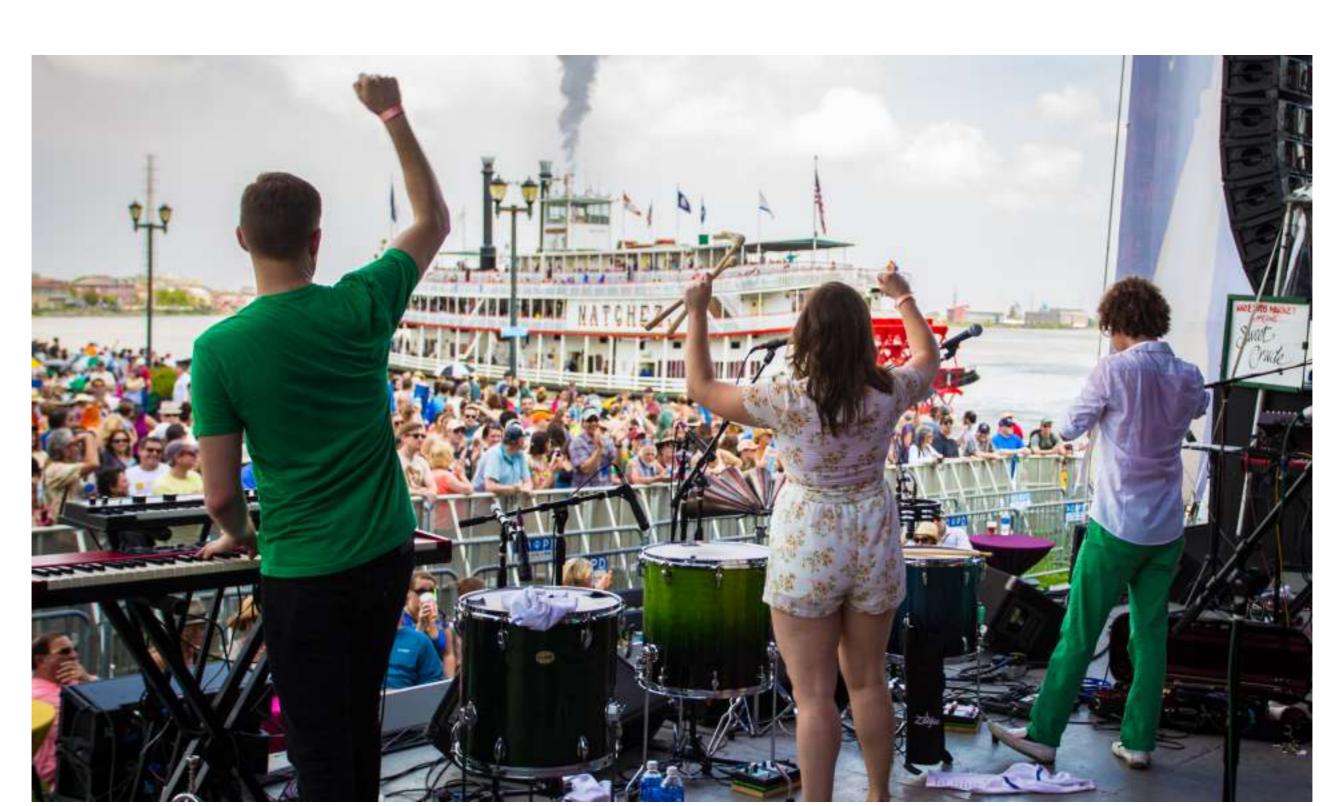
# FRENCH QUARTER FEST FROM HOME

#### Let the Festival Come to You

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This weekend, April 16-19, would've been the 37th annual French Quarter Fest, New Orleans' largest free festival. Though the fest has been postponed, there are plenty of ways to recreate the action from home this weekend. Stream a playlist of your favorite artists, or order your favorite festival foods from home. Most importantly, be sure to support local musicians with these resources.



**SWEET CRUDE** Zack Smith

#### **Tune into the Virtual Village**

French Quarter Fest's Virtual Village is the best way to stay connected to the festival as we anticipate the rescheduled dates. You can start by catching a past set from artists like Kermit Ruffins, Hot 8 Brass Band, Sweet Crude, Tank and the Bangas, and more. Education is an essential part of the festival's mission, and each year, a handful of lessons on jazz and Louis Armstrong are given. Dig into the archive and learn something new.

#### **Stream the French Quarter Fest Playlist**

Our French Quarter Fest playlist, available via Spotify, will bring the music right into your living room, backyard, or kitchen. This is a great way to experience the musicians who would've graced the festival's stages this weekend. There's nothing like the sounds of Preservation Hall Jazz Band and others to get you in the festival mood.



**BOILED CRAWFISH** Paul Broussard

### Order from a Local Vendor

The Virtual Village includes a collection of food, goods, and services vendors that are at the heart and soul of French Quarter Fest. Order beer from Abita Brewing Company, or get an order of wings from WE DAT's Chicken & Shrimp. Enjoy a shrimp remoulade, available for grab-n-go, from Galatoire's, or how about a praline from Loretta's. Order a few pounds of crawfish, and recreate a boil in your backyard. Don't let your fest food dreams go down the drain; many of this year's vendors are offering takeout and delivery.

### Virtually Tip a Musician

Numerous grants and funds have been established to support artists during this time, and many accept donations. One way to support musicians directly is to leave a virtual tip through their Venmo or PayPal. Check out their social media feeds, and see how best to support each artist.

### **Enjoy a Cocktail from Home**

Get in the festival spirit by whipping up a classic New Orleans cocktail from home. We've got recipes for Pimm's Cup, the Hurricane, Daiquiri, and more. With just a few simple ingredients, you'll be transported to the festival grounds.

### **Recreate Festival Food Favorites**

Try your hand at recreating one of the festival's famous dishes. Get in on the secret sauce behind the Grilled Fish Tacos from GW Fins, or whip up a BBQ Oyster po-boy with creamy blue cheese dressing and Crystal Hot Sauce courtesy of Red Fish Grill. These recipes are key in bringing French Quarter Fest home.

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