

## **The KEE to Bala - Letter of request to The Muskoka Lakes township**

**The KEE to Bala requests the following submission to be reviewed for consideration by council members in light of the present COVID-19 situation, this plan has been formulated as a contingency strategy to operations throughout continued pandemic public safety measures and requirements where normal operation would not be permitted. In addition to the details outlined below, The KEE would implement and adhere to all other suggested industry practices with regards to ensuring general public safety and cleanliness.**

**Given the short timeframe for discussion, planning and executing these requests, we kindly ask that this matter be brought forth asap with council. We trust that some member of council may recall the successful execution of a similar plan years ago in conjunction with the then much larger, Wakestock event in 20016 which may help expedite some of the processes.**

## The KEE to Bala - Contingency plan - July - September open air event plan

### Overview:

The KEE to Bala is looking to continue celebrating its 79th year tradition of music in Muskoka through the summer of 2020 with an open air, outdoor approach to this summer's shortened programming. While paying respect to open air public health mentions and physical distancing measures to the best of our ability, we ask that council consider this approach of an outdoor amphitheater style proposal for our July, August and September concert schedule, adding approximately an additional 60% of outdoor ground floor area for patrons vs traditional indoor KEE activity. *(until such health measures are lifted)*

The open air area would extend outwards from The KEE's property onto Bala falls road in front of The KEE for concerts only, predominantly Friday and or Saturday between the hours of 7:00pm - 1:00 am, effectively closing Bala falls road to through traffic from The Bala falls Pub easterly just prior to Walker Street (still allowing normal access for residents). Upon completion of these events all infrastructure would be removed from public property and returned back onto and The KEE's grounds and normal pedestrian and vehicle traffic to resume.

### Key Notes:

- Proposed for approximately 10 -15 events between July 24 - September 6.
- Open air capacity to be same as KEE to Bala, 19+, allowing for 18,000+ sf ft of spacing.
- Event time frame from 8pm - 1230pm.
- Partial street closure from 7pm - 1am on event dates.
- KEE to co-ordinate and align with neighbouring businesses.
- All event infrastructure to be removed from public lands upon completion of each event.

### Requests to Muskoka Lakes Township and Council:

- Permission for partial no parking zone on Bala Falls Rd from 4pm the night of the events.
- Permission for a partial road closure to a portion of Bala Falls Rd directly in front of the KEE.
- Permission to be exempt from Noise by-law from 11pm to 12:30am. Production will shut down no later than 12:30am with appropriate DB levels maintained throughout.

