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The Long Island Music & Entertainment Hall of Fame Now Open to the Public



STONY BROOK, NY- The [Long Island Music & Entertainment Hall of Fame](#) (LIMEHOF) is proud to announce the Grand Opening of the non-profit organization's first physical facility, and Long Island's very first Hall of Fame, on November 25th, 2022, at 97 Main Street, Stony Brook Village, NY. The location is near other LI cultural centers including The Long Island Museum, The Jazz Loft and The Reboli Center.

"We are thrilled our organization has found a permanent home in such a wonderful location" said Ernie Canadeo, Chairman, LIMEHOF. "We're excited to be able to share our world-class displays and unique memorabilia collection that showcases Long Island's rich and diverse musical and entertainment history in new and exciting ways. We feature different and exciting exhibits, displays, videos and educational offerings that make the center a dynamic place for people to visit on a regular basis."



North Babylon Resident Cliff Schlesinger becomes the first public visitor to LIMEHOF. L-R Richard Branciforte, Cliff Schlesinger, LIMEHOF Chairman Ernie Canadeo, Exhibit Designer Kevin O'Callaghan and Board Member Jim Faith. Photo Credit Ed Shin/LIMEHOF

The First Visitors

North Babylon Resident Cliff Schlesinger was the first public visitor to the Long Island Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame when it opened on November 25th at 12 Noon.

Schlesinger says he was most excited to see the first exhibit "Long Island's Legendary Club Scene – 1960's-1980's" which was created by renowned designer Kevin

O'Callaghan to be "a club crawl" through Long Island's legendary 60's, 70's and 80's club scene.

"We used to go everywhere from Speaks in Island Park to The Mad Hatter in Stony Brook," Schlesinger said.

"We used to go everywhere to hear Twisted Sister and

Zebra and all those bands so I can't wait to see that exhibit."

Over 500 public visitors came out to see LIMEHOF on its opening weekend. Also, LIMEHOF Inductee Richie Cannata performed on stage along with Mark Newman and LIMEHOF Long Island Sound Award Winner Kerry Kearney.

Preview Event

Over 250 guests and inductees recently attended a special VIP preview event on 11/22 to see the first exhibit. Inductees in attendance included founding and Current Members of Blue Öyster Cult (bassist Joe Bouchard, Albert Bouchard and drummer Jules Radino), Zebra (guitarist Randy Jackson, bassist Felix Hanemann and drummer Guy Gelso), The Brooklyn Bridge (Jimmy Rosica), Parrish Smith from EPMD, Granddaddy IU, and Twisted Sister (guitarist Jay Jay French and Mark "The Animal" Mendoza), Music Journalist Wayne Robins, John Gatto from The Good Rats, singer/songwriter Jen Chapin, Paula Janis and Carole Demas of "The Magic Garden", singer/songwriter Elliott Murphy, Ira Maltz, CSS Security. Stanton Anderson (Mark Fowler), LIMEHOF board member Sandra Taylor (daughter of LIMEHOF inductee Sam Taylor) and Lawrence Worrell, stage name L.A.W. from Planet 12 (grandson of LIMEHOF inductee Sam Taylor) and more. There were also live performances by Zebra, The Blue Öyster Cult, Jen Chapin, Paula Janis and Carole Demas of "The Magic Garden" and other inductees.

LIMEHOF Hours and ticket details

The Hall of Fame and Museum is open Wednesdays-Sundays from 12 noon through 5pm. Admission prices are: Adult \$19.50, Seniors (65+) and Veterans \$17.00, Students (w/ID) \$15.00. Children under 12 are free. [Tickets can be purchased online](#) and at the door.

The first exhibit features replicas of clubs, with videos of artists performing, ads, posters, instruments, and an exact replica of a typical 1960's stage, with vintage equipment and sound system. There is also a permanent "Hall of Fame" with plaques and exhibits recognizing over 120 inductees, as well as areas for a library, classrooms for educational programs and master classes, a surround -sound theater and a gift shop with music and entertainment themed memorabilia.

There are a wide range of compelling visual elements and rare artifacts on display throughout the building. Inducted artists who have donated their memorabilia include Billy Joel, Joan Jett, Debbie Gibson, Blue Öyster Cult, Twisted Sister, and families and estates of Harry Chapin, Guy Lombardo, John Coltrane, and so many more. Donations include various musical instruments, performance outfits, rare posters and photos, handwritten lyrics, and much more.

LIMEHOF has made strong associations and community support including Catholic Health which is the presenting sponsor and a strong supporter.

About LIMEHOF

Founded in 2004, the Long Island Music and Entertainment Hall of Fame is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the idea that Long Island's musical and entertainment heritage is an important resource to be celebrated and preserved for future generations. The organization, which encompasses New York State's Nassau, Suffolk, Queens, and Kings (Brooklyn) Counties, was created as a place of community that inspires and explores Long Island music and entertainment in all its forms. In 2022, LIMEHOF opened its first Hall of Fame building location in Stony Brook, New York. To date, the organization has inducted more than 130 musicians and music industry executives, and offers education programs, scholarships, and awards to Long Island students and educators.

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