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HAMILTON BLOCK PARTY RETURNS JULY 3

Free Community Celebration at RW3 Depot Features Live Music, Local Food, and Summer Spirit

HAMILTON, N.Y. — The Hamilton Block Party is back, and this year's celebration promises to be one for the books. On **Friday, July 3, 2026**, Ray Brothers Barbeque and community partners are keeping the beloved local tradition alive with a free, outdoor party at the **RW3 Depot, 44 Milford Street, Hamilton, NY**. Doors open at 5 PM. This is a **21+ event**.

What's New in 2026?

This marks the first Hamilton Block Party since 2019, making the 2026 return a long-awaited reunion for the community. Guests can enjoy an evening of live music, a cash bar serving beer, wine, cider, and non-alcoholic options, and Ray Brothers' food truck on-site. The music lineup spans folk, country, and rock, with sets from three regional artists across four and a half hours.



Schedule of Events

- **Date:** Friday, July 3, 2026
- **Location:** RW3 Depot, 44 Milford Street, Hamilton, NY
- **Admission:** Free (21+ event)
- **Times:**
 - 5:00 PM** — Doors open; food truck and bar service begin
 - 6:00 PM** — Blaine Holcomb
 - 7:00 PM** — Cassidy Lynn
 - 8:30 PM** — The Rollin' Rust
 - 9:30 PM** — Bar closes
- **Age Restriction: Must be 21 and older**

The Hamilton Block Party is hosted by Ray Brothers Barbeque and community partners. The event will be held rain or shine.

"The Hamilton Block Party is a much-loved local tradition, and we're proud to do our part in bringing it back and keeping it going strong," said Tucker Ray of Ray Brothers Barbeque.

The Hamilton Block Party is one of dozens of summer events drawing visitors to Madison County's vibrant village communities. Hamilton, home to Colgate University and Lower Lake Brewery, anchors the county's southern corridor with a walkable downtown, acclaimed dining, and a calendar full of community-driven events.

For more information about the Hamilton Block Party, visit the event page on Facebook or follow Ray Brothers Barbeque at www.facebook.com/raybrothersrbq.

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