

Award winning, **Tray Wellington** with his **Tray Wellington Band**

TRAY WELLINGTON BAND

7:30 PM
SAT, JUNE 6, 2026
**CENTRAL
OHIO FOLK
FESTIVAL**

SATURDAY EVENING HEADLINER

Tray Wellington is an acclaimed banjo innovator whose genre-defying approach bridges folk, bluegrass, jazz, and contemporary roots music. Recognized for his fearless exploration of the banjo's possibilities, Tray has been honored with some of the most prestigious accolades in acoustic music, including the **2019 IBMA Momentum Instrumentalist of the Year**,

and has been twice nominated for **IBMA New Artist of the Year**.

His artistry has taken him to stages across the world and he has been featured at premier U.S. festivals including the **Newport Folk Festival**, **Telluride Bluegrass Festival**, and **Bourbon & Beyond**, among many others. Tray's work has earned recognition not only from fans and peers but also from **The New York Times**, **Wall Street Journal**, **Billboard**, and **NPR**.

Tray leads the **Tray Wellington Band**, a dynamic ensemble that brings his compositions to life with rich instrumentation and inventive arrangements. Together, they transform Tray's compositions into immersive, high-energy performances that engage both traditional and contemporary audiences.



Tray Wellington's approach to the quintessential American instrument is all about looking forward. He is critically acclaimed not only for his technical prowess, but also for crafting a one-of-a-kind voice on the instrument.

LISTEN HERE: traywellington.com/music/ **OR**
youtu.be/fz_XRYrzbKQ?si=LZkZWAmg-SoRLjUW

CENTRAL OHIO FOLK FESTIVAL - JUNE 6 & 7, 2026

Venue: BANK RUN METRO PARK (Lockbourne, Ohio)

TICKETS The entrance fee for the festival includes lawn seating for the Saturday evening headliner performance and you would need to bring your own blanket/chairs. Festival admission tickets are \$10 pre-event for 18 and over / \$15 on site. Closer provided and preferred seating tickets (limited number of seats) are available for an additional \$10 at the festival admissions ticketing platform. **Tickets will go on sale in early 2026 and the ticket link can be found at: columbusfolkmusicssociety.org/festival.**