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## Ready to Rock?! Award-winning Music Fest for Kids, "Rock Around The Hawk," Returns to The Hawk for Fourth Season

The free monthly program exposes tiny concertgoers, 18-months to 5-years-old, and their caregivers to music and art while celebrating iconic musical experiences

WHAT:

Rock Around The Hawk, an award-winning **free** monthly drop-in program for little ones ages 18-months to 5-years-old and their caregivers, returns to The Hawk in Farmington Hills for its fourth season beginning Friday, Sept. 5. The unique program exposes tiny concertgoers to music and art through age-appropriate activities with themes that are fun for kids and adults alike.

One Friday morning each month through June 2026, The Hawk Black Box Theatre will transform into a magical, musical experience that lightheartedly pays homage to legendary music festivals and cultural institutions through themed crafts, music, performances and dancing. Themes for 2025/2026 include: Lollipopalooza on Sept. 5, a tribute to a famous Chicago music festival that celebrates the biggest names across genres, and Quietfest on Oct. 4, which will feature DIY punk rock crafts, a temporary tattoo parlor and more. A full list of dates and themes can be found here in the City's 2025 Fall Activities Guide.

Rock Around The Hawk, which was selected as an Innovative Recreation Programming Award winner by the Michigan Recreation & Parks Association in 2024, is a program of the City's Special Services Department Cultural Arts Division. The City of Farmington Hills has the largest dedicated municipal Cultural Arts Division in the State of Michigan. The Division coordinates arts programming for the community, including classes, events, and activities in visual and performing arts, and year-round performances at The Hawk Theatre, to expose people of all ages, interests and abilities to the arts. Rock Around The Hawk is made possible in part by a grant from the Farmington/Farmington Hills Foundation for Youth and Families.

WHO:

Rock Around The Hawk is an award-winning program designed for preschool-aged children, 18-months to 5-years-old, and their caregivers.

WHEN:

10-11:30 a.m., one Friday each month from September 2025 through June 2026

- Sept. 5, 2025
- Oct. 3, 2025
- Nov. 7, 2025
- Dec. 12, 2025
- Jan. 9, 2026

- Feb. 6, 2026
- March 6, 2026
- April 10, 2026
- May 1, 2026
- June 5, 2026

WHERE: The Hawk Theatre Blackbox

29995 W. 12 Mile Road Farmington Hills, MI 48334

For more information, call 248-473-1850.

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## About the City of Farmington Hills

The City of Farmington Hills is a place where everyone is welcome. Founded in 1973, it is one of the largest communities in Oakland County. Farmington Hills is home to more than 83,000 residents who speak more than 60 languages, and more than 75 Fortune 500 businesses, including multinational corporations like Nissan and Bosch. The City is routinely recognized as one of the safest cities of its size and is known for its extensive amenities, including over 600 acres of parks, 90 athletic fields, six miles of hiking and walking trails, the Farmington Hills Golf Club, and an Ice Arena. Farmington Hills is also home to The Hawk, an award-winning, approximately 270,000-square-foot recreation and arts venue, which includes The Hawk Theatre and The Hawk Makerspace. For more information, visit www.fhgov.com.

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