LEAF Festival is “Bringing It Home” this Fall 2018
Featuring Digable Planets, Railroad Earth, Eddie Palmieri & many more!

July 17, 2018 (Asheville, NC) – LEAF Community Arts is thrilled to announce its dynamic lineup of performing artists for the Fall 2018 LEAF Festival, taking place Thursday, October 18th to Sunday, October 21st near Asheville at the majestic Lake Eden in Black Mountain, NC. With 400+ performing artists representing 12 different countries, 5 family adventure villages, 80+ craft & culinary vendors, 50+ healing arts, music and earth skills workshops, and a global community steeped in tradition, LEAF welcomes all walks of life for an unforgettable weekend experience. Kids under 10 FREE! Discount tickets available @ theLEAF.org/tickets.

“Bringing it Home” Festival Feature Notes:
• Resilient nations championed: Puerto Rico, Congo, Tibet, Gambia, Costa Rica & Mexico
• Grammy Winning Hip-Hop Pioneers Digable Planets feat. Full (5) piece Live Band
• 10x Grammy Winning Salsa Legend Eddie Palmieri performs Puerto Rico Tribute
• Sona Jobarteh first professional female Kora player in Gambia on debut US Tour

“What does HOME mean to you? Is it in the streets, fields, and forests where you grew up? Or does it rest in the warm embrace of a loved one after a long day? Of all the places we plant our roots, few things bring us HOME in our hearts like music. The strum of a guitar, the beat of a drum, the echoing chorus of a favorite song... Music holds a way of guiding us to a place of inner peace, joy and sanctuary unlike anything in this world. For 24 years, LEAF has thrived as a community born of friendships, memories, and cultural celebration... and for the 47th LEAF, we will take that legacy one step further welcoming artists from nations who find their homes in great peril, yet despite all odds continue to share their music, message, and medicine with us all. Join us this FALL where three generations of families hailing from the four corners of the Globe will gather to celebrate the power of music & arts to “Bring Us Home” as ONE Family once again.” ~ Ehren Cruz, Performing Arts Director

OFFICIAL 47th LEAF FESTIVAL PERFORMER LINEUP
Digable Planets, Railroad Earth
Eddie Palmieri’s Salsa Orchestra
Valerie June, Here Come the Mummies, Kishi Bashi
Sona Jobarteh, Jupiter & Okwess, Elise Trouw
Secret Agent 23 Skidoo, The Dustbowl Revival, Birds of Chicago
The Mystical Arts of Tibet, Digging Roots, House of Waters
Maybe April, Ron Artis II, Kaia Kater, The Screaming J’s, Doctor Nativo
Richard Wood & Gordon Belshier, Supatight, Yellow Feather, Bombassic
Carly Taich, NataDas, The Campfire Reverends, LEAF International Costa Rica & Mexico
Unifire Theatre, Illuminera, Trillium Dance Co, NU Paradigm, Imagine Circus, Tribe Zanzibar
Golden Trumpets | Contra: The Mean Lids, Fyre & Ashe, DR Shadow, Seth Tepfer, Terry Doyle
47th Southern Fried Poetry Slam, 7th Annual Toybox Theater Puppetry Slam, & many more...

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