

Booking

How do I get a show at OPL?

Please send an inquiry to booking@oplhmb.com and introduce yourself or your band. Tell us who you are, what kind of music you play, and where we can hear some of your music (a link or two). We get a lot of requests so please be patient as well as realistic when reaching out to us. We will read every email and eventually respond. We respect all bands and musicians, but not every band/musician will get to play at OPL.

The Breakdown of getting paid and different shows:

I believe the goal for any band at OPL is to get a flat guarantee agreed upon before your performance. However, to get a guarantee you have to bring the people. I know this is hard to hear, but bands that we give guarantees to need to bring at least 100 people (our capacity is 160). *It is your responsibility to bring the people not ours!* However, the OPL always does our best to help every band/musician promote. We use our social media, large roof marquee, message board in front, and hanging flyers inside building. We will sometimes also hang flyers around the HMB Coastside in appropriate permitted places. Bands starting out, or bands from out of town (on tour) cannot always bring the required amount for a guarantee. We sometimes match bands as support for a headlining band or an evening of multiple bands. Door splits (usually 70/30 <70 to the band>) are another option for bands that may not qualify for a guarantee, but we like or have proven they should have a show. There are a few other avenues for ways to get booked at the OPL. We have an acoustic night (usually for a solo artist, but exceptions can be made) the first Thursday of every month where, once an artist(s) is approved, will get a 25 minute slot. Our sound engineer sets up each musician and runs sound the entire evening (please let us know if you are interested in this and let us know. Another avenue is our Free Music Fridays (once a month) where bands that we choose play two sets on Friday toward the end of Happy Hour. It's a great time to play because Friday Happy Hours can generate a good crowd.

The music business is very subjective and every show is different as every band is different. Good luck and we look forward in seeing/hearing you on our stage.