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## Bands on the Bricks Music Series Kicks Off June 16 with Paper Bird (and a Beer Garden)

Enjoy free concerts every Wednesday on the 1300 block of the Pearl Street Mall as Downtown Boulder's Bands On the Bricks celebrates 12 seasons as of one of the most popular outdoor summer music series in the metro area

BOULDER CO, **June 7, 2010** – Downtown Boulder, Inc.'s (DBI) summer concert series, <u>Bands on the Bricks</u>, launches next Wednesday (June 16) with local indy rock favorite, <u>Paper Bird</u>. The seven-piece band consists of three female singers, accompanied by banjo, guitar, stand-up bass and trombone. They were voted in the Top 10 Best Underground Bands by Denver Post two years in a row, as well as featured in last year's 5280 Magazine's Top of the Town issue where they received the honor of "Top Local Band".

In addition to Paper Bird, this season's Bands on the Bricks lineup shines the spotlight on some of the hottest artists and most beloved acts the Front Range has to offer. The schedule includes performances by:

June 23 – <u>The Nacho Men</u>

June 30 – Hazel Miller

July 7 – Deja Blu

July 14 – Quemando

July 21 – Kutandara

July 28 – The Fab 4

August 4 - Face

August 11 – That Eighties Band

August 18 – Funkiphino

"We have a fantastic summer music season in store for visitors to Downtown Boulder," said Sean Maher, executive director of Downtown Boulder. "Where else but the Pearl Street Mall can you enjoy free concerts featuring great music and dancing with the Flatirons as the backdrop?" Adds DBI Event Manager, Anna Salim, "Bands on the Bricks provides an excellent opportunity for local music fans to hear some of the most popular groups in the metro area for free, while introducing some other great local talent who have never played our concert series before. We are really excited about this year's lineup!"

A new component to Bands on the Bricks is a beer garden which will feature cold libations from **The Boulder Draft House** (\$5 for 16 oz. cup), as well as wine. The beer garden will open every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. and concerts will start at 7 p.m. in front of the Boulder County Courthouse on the 1300 block of the Pearl Street Mall.

**Downtown Boulder's Bands on the Bricks** is a free event and open to the public. Sponsors include: One Boulder Plaza, City of Boulder Parking Services, 97.3 KBCO and the Camera. For additional details visit <a href="http://www.bandsonthebricks.com">http://www.bandsonthebricks.com</a> or call 303-449-3774.

## **About Downtown Boulder, Incorporated**

Downtown Boulder, Incorporated (DBI) is a non-profit organization, founded in 1984, dedicated to continued preservation, promotion and enhancement of Downtown Boulder as the heart of the greater Boulder community. With a mission to maintain Downtown as the center of commerce, government, culture, and leisure, DBI's membership supports the overall vitality of Downtown through public advocacy, political involvement, and by producing year-round community events that enhance the Boulder experience for residents and visitors. (http://www.boulderdowntown.com).

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