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Ocean County Library Berkeley Branch to Present Live Acoustic Blues and Jazz by Pete Wagula

BERKELEY TOWNSHIP – The Ocean County Library Berkeley Branch is proud to present the return of Jersey shore guitarist Pete Wagula in a live performance of acoustic blues, jazz, and bottleneck guitar, 2:30 PM Saturday, March 26.

Wagula's spring concert marks his first appearance at the Berkeley Branch since 2018. He will feature new, original tunes from his upcoming third solo release, tentatively titled *Homecoming*.

"Bitten by the guitar bug" at age five, Wagula began playing professionally with Kucharik's Dream Child, Bob Geiger, Ghost Town, and Local 69, studied with jazz legend Tal Farlow, wrote for *Guitar Player* magazine, formed a blues trio, and went solo in 2004.

Wagula's evening guitar classes at the Ocean County Vocational-Technical School are considered among New Jersey's best. He is involved with several recording projects, and is a member of the jump blues band The Swamp Boogie Five.

Mixing live guitar looping into his original instrumentals, Wagula showcases his bottleneck proficiency on dobro and classic and contemporary metal- and wood-body guitars.

Registration at www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events is required for this free program.

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