



Tosco Music is a resident company of Blumenthal Performing Arts in Charlotte, N.C., and hosts a quarterly concert series. Three times a year (winter, spring, autumn), Tosco Music Party (TMP) offers an eclectic mix of music styles with performances of one or two songs by each of approximately 15 scheduled acts who donate their time and talent. Every June, we host a Beatles Tribute in the same format – only all Beatles songs! All shows are interspersed with Tosco’s trademark singalongs led by John Tosco and the house band.

Tosco Music is a nonprofit organization that has been enhancing Charlotte’s community through music for more than 25 years. In addition to family-friendly music events, our outreach includes fundraising for youth music scholarships and singalong parties at senior centers.

Our mission is to:

- present a wide variety of music through performances and outreach programs;
- foster a sense of community among listeners and performers through inclusive participation; and
- connect professional and amateur musicians to share and inspire one another.

A TMP performance introduces performers to an audience of 1,200 at Knight Theater and offers an opportunity to network with other performers during a unique community oriented evening. Many performers add TMP to their tour schedule when they come to the area. Although TMP is not a paid performance, it can frequently help set up another gig at a local venue or house concert. Tosco Music will also help promote TMP performers when they return to the area for future shows.

Performers sell CDs at intermission and after the show, and they keep 100 percent of those sales. TMP audience members are very supportive of performers. Although TMP can’t guarantee CD sales, past performers have sometimes sold 75 to 100 CD’s in one night. In addition to performer tables, TMP manages a separate CD station adding to performer’s overall sales.

Performing at a Tosco Music Party is a professionally rewarding experience. A full backline (including grand piano, keyboard, drums, and amps) is provided, making it easy for performers to take the stage for one or two songs. TMP provides a full catered dinner for performers.

TMP can usually arrange host housing for single performers or small groups. TMP Hospitality Volunteers are longtime audience members who enjoy showing their appreciation for traveling musicians by providing comfortable accommodations and making Charlotte easy to visit.

We look forward to having you join us for a Tosco Music Party soon!

“What struck me most was that you have managed to grow this into such an institution, while somehow preserving its warm, inclusive, grassroots vibe. While singing Our House with nine hundred fellow humans I couldn’t help but imagine all the oxytocin their bodies were producing at that moment. I will spread the word wherever I can. Thanks for an opportunity to feel so small yet connected to something large.” – Peter Mulvey

“Think of it as the musical equivalent of walking into Ben & Jerry’s and saying: ‘I’d like a spoonful of everything, please.’” – Creative Loafing