

“In my humble opinion, country music today has lost its way.

I want to keep traditional country music alive with ‘three chords and the truth’ and an old-school vibe.



WAYLON HANEL

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Twenty-two-year-old Waylon Hanel is a self-taught musician and singer characterized by his textured vocals and endearing ability to captivate audiences. The Michigan native has quickly become recognized for his down-to-earth style, bold delivery and vivid storytelling. Named after country music legend Waylon Jennings (one of his biggest musical influences), Hanel has worked to hone his skills in developing a vintage signature style of his own. His music and recordings are a testament to his unique, artistic individuality and powerful delivery well beyond his years.

Waylon’s 2023 tour schedule boasted more than 175 show dates. He made his official introduction with his self-titled EP (WAYLON HANEL/Nov. 2022), featuring five original tunes, and followed with his sophomore CD, NEW OLD OUTLAWS in May 2023. Waylon released a waterfall series of singles, “He Don’t Mind” (June 2023), Lighten That Load” (March 2024) and his latest original (and dedication to his brother), “Holes,” in June 2024 as an introduction to his new CD recording--DON’T MESS WITH MY COUNTRY --due in mid-to-late 2024.

Press

- Authority Magazine
- Canvas Rebel
- Country’s Chatter
- Country Thunder Podcast (UK)
- Deans of Nashville Podcast
- Good Morning Mid-Michigan (ABC12)
- Guy Jeans Podcast
- Huron Daily Tribune
- Midland Daily News
- “Morning Fury” (WMIC AM 660 / WTVG 97.7 FM)
- New Country Brew
- “New Music Monday” (WNHE Radio)
- Outside The Circle Podcast
- SCENES Media
- Six TWELVE Entertainment
- Sussex Radio
- The Country Note
- The Kayden Gordon Show
- The Nick Scott Effect Podcast
- The Rosie & Bill Show Podcast
- True Grit At Noon Podcast
- “Wyoming Country” (KIX 96.5)

Venues

- Capitol Theatre
- Jolt Event Center
- Emmett Co Fair
- Bay City Country Music Festival
- Alpena Brown Trout Festival
- North Springs Music Festival
- Millington Old Fashion Days Festival
- Wolverine Lumberjack Festival
- Caseville Country Ribstock Festival

Opening Act

- Travis Tritt
- Trace Adkins
- Chris Cagle
- Elvie Shane
- Colt Ford
- LoneStar
- Ashley McBryde
- Tyler Farr
- Jo Dee Messina
- Uncle Kracker
- Creed Fisher
- Ward Davis

Music



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Videos

SET LIST

- MAMA TRIED
- TURN THE PAGE - BOB SEGER
- LIGHTEN THAT LOAD
- OLE RED - BLAKE SHELTON
- FOLSON PRISON BLUES - JOHNNY CASH
- HE DON'T MIND
- RAMBLING MAN - WAYLON JENNINGS
- DEVIL WENT DOWN TO GEORGIA - CHARLIE DANIELS
- MY KIND OF LONELY
- OCEAN FRONT PROPERTY - GEORGE STRAIT
- HE STOPPED LOVING HER TODAY - GEORGE JONES
- GYPSY ANGELS
- IN COLOR - JAMIE JOHNSON
- IF YOUR GONNA PLAY IN TEXAS - ALABAMA
- NEW OLD OUTLAWS
- BLACKBERRY BRANDY
- QUEEN OF MEMPHIS - PAM TILLIS



“My Kind Of Lonely”
Official Music Video
(2023)



“He Don't Mind”
Official Lyric Video
(2023)



“Holes” Official Music Video
(2024)



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