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**Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau
MEDIA ALERT**

Parmalee to perform in *Songs from the Sofa* virtual concert series Nov. 19

What: The Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau, iHeartMedia and Cat Country 107.1 welcome **Parmalee** to the *Songs from the Sofa* virtual concert series. The Instagram live event, hosted by DJ Mike Tyler from Cat County 107.1, will feature Parmalee’s music, interviews and stories behind the songs.

Songs from the Sofa debuted in May with music sensation Sam James. The monthly live performances have included Jay Allen, Maia Sharp, Dave Pahanish, Ben Allen and Clint Daniels. All performances are archived on the [Island Hopper Songwriter Fest Instagram page](#).

Who: **Parmalee**, a tight-knit family band and previous Island Hopper Songwriter Fest act with more than 380 million Pandora streams. The band also boasts a 2016 Academy of Country Music nomination for “New Vocal Duo/Group of the Year.” Raised in Parmele, North Carolina, brothers Matt and Scott Thomas, cousin Barry Knox and family friend, Josh McSwain credit their unique sound to early influences of country music, classic rock, blues and Motown. The band reached historic success with its debut record, “Feels like Carolina,” and continues to break boundaries with its recent collaboration with Blanco Brown on the hit song, “Just the Way.”

When: 8 p.m. (EST) Thursday, Nov. 19

Where: [Island Hopper Songwriter Fest Instagram page](#)

Why: To celebrate with one of the singer-songwriters who will perform at Island Hopper Songwriter Fest, Sept. 17-26, 2021, on Captiva Island, historic downtown Fort Myers and Fort Myers Beach. For now, on the third Thursday of every month, *Songs from the Sofa* should provide an exciting way to experience a quality performance in your own home.

For more information: Please visit <https://islandhopperfest.com/>

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*Parmalee photo attached