



Metropolitan Phoenix ANNOUNCES PARTICIPATION IN

“CONCERT-ACROSS AMERICA TO END GUN VIOLENCE”

*Nationwide event to be held Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016 2-5pm*

Yucca Tap Room, 29 West Southern Avenue, Tempe, Az 85282 Free Parking

**GUN VIOLENCE IS 100% PREVENTABLE.** Youth, family, school and community organizations across Metropolitan Phoenix unite to PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE BEFORE IT BEGINS. We are honored to announce our participation in a national Concert Across America to End Gun Violence. The event, to be hosted by Yucca Tap Room – Best of Phoenix, will be one of 200+ concerts held across the U.S., each connected via social media and online at <http://concertacrossamerica.org/>.

*“Generations of youth are losing far too many people to gun violence. Our youth deserve better odds at a successful life. Better odds start with preventing gun violence. It is less expensive and easier to maintain and create positive and healthy environments for our youth than to allow them to wander unattended into high risk and violent behavior. In order to prevent gun violence we must take on the collective responsibility of supporting all of our children, not just the ones who live in our own house. Only after we’ve elevated our communities above the normalization of gun violence and towards fostering safety, equality and respect as norms in every community will young people be able to live and thrive without fear of preventable gun violence.”* - State Representative Juan Mendez  
[http://www.azleg.gov/MembersPage.asp?Member\\_ID=74&Legislature=51&Session\\_ID=112](http://www.azleg.gov/MembersPage.asp?Member_ID=74&Legislature=51&Session_ID=112)

“Gun violence is an epidemic in American; on September 25 voice will be raised across the country saying #enough. We want strong sensible gun laws that will keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people and hold gun owners responsible for securing their weapons.”, Gerry Hills, gun violence survivor and founder of Arizonans for Gun Safety. See [www.AZfgs.com](http://www.AZfgs.com)

Tickets: <http://sept25.brownpapertickets.com/> Stinkweeds, 12 W Camelback Rd, Phx, AZ 85013 or at the door. All Ages. Proceeds benefit [www.PeerSolutions.org](http://www.PeerSolutions.org). *This is a non-partisan event!*

September 25<sup>th</sup> is the congressionally designated day of Remembrance of those victimized by gun violence.



We will use this day to remind everyone that:

- ⌘ On average 321 people A DAY are shot in this country, 90 die and 231 are left with life altering injuries,
- ⌘ 64% of gun deaths are suicides,
- ⌘ In 2015, 269 students were caught with a gun on campus, and
- ⌘ When a gun is present in a domestic violence situation, it increases the risk of homicide for women by 500%.

Gun violence has been normalized. Together, we can change that narrative.

## PSCHO STEVE PRESENTS: CONCERT ACROSS AMERICA TO END GUN VIOLENCE METRO PHOENIX

Run of Show: [Streaming live on Facebook](#)

- 2:00-2:05 Opening by Emcee Brad Chandler
- 2:05-2:35 Lukas Mathers
- 2:35-2:45 Video message for youth by Neko Case, Barry Crimmins & Billy Bob Thornton
- 2:45-3:25 Betsy Ganz & the Sun Punchers
- 3:25-3:35 Gerry Hills, Founder of Arizonans for Gun Safety
- 3:35-4:10 Nolan McKelvey Band
- 4:10-4:20 Guts To Be Good Award Winner / Gun Violence Survivor & Prevention Advocate
- 4:20-5:00 Barefoot and Pregnant + several extra special guests

*"Gun violence has been normalized, especially for our young people. Ask any parent, a child models what they see and hear. Peer Solutions has spent 20 years investing in youth to elevate our communities. We work to prevent violence way before there is a thought of using a gun to harm self or others."* Jennifer Rauhouse, founder and CEO of Peer Solutions.  
See [www.peersolutions.org](http://www.peersolutions.org)

**Resources** will be provided by: Arizonans for Gun Safety, Arizona Trauma Institute, Coalition Working to End Gun Violence, LaFrontera/Empact, Peer Solutions/STAND & SERVE, Sechler CPA, and Tumbleweed/Safe Space. **Raffle items** provide by: Duck and Decanter, Billy Bob Thornton, Dutch Bro's, Green/Nami, Jon Rauhouse, Live Nation, Neko Case, Noble Beast, Venezia's, Starbucks & more. A huge **thank you** to the Arizona Republic, Crescent Ballroom, Psycho Steve, Stateside and Stinkweeds for helping to sponsor &/or promote this event.

In honor of Dr. Eileen Yellin.