



Missouri Music Hall of Fame Elected 2011

Frog Hop Ballroom

The Frog Hop Ballroom ("The Hop") was a Northwest Missouri institution, from its New Year's Eve debut in 1928 to the final closing of its doors on November 1, 1978. The Hop burned down twice in its run, but flames were not enough to extinguish the REAL fire: an important cross-point of the Nebraska, Iowa, and Missouri music circuit. The Hop gave a multi-genre stage for local acts and national tours alike including: Gene Krupa, Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Conway Twitty, The Dorsey Brothers, Mickey Gilley, Cab Calloway, Chubby Checker, and Lionel Hampton, and many more who shaped our musical landscape. The Frog Hop Ballroom became one of the first venues inducted into the Missouri Music Hall of Fame as part of the class of 2012 on Sept. 2nd at Phil Welch Stadium, St. Joseph, Missouri.