

Cody Wickline

Saturday, September 3 at 7:00pm

Cody Wickline is a singer/song writer from the mountains of Southern West Virginia. He is the grandson of a coal miner who taught Cody to love country music. Growing up, Cody loved listening to Waylon Jennings, Hank (Williams) Sr., and George Jones. While in nursing school, Cody was contacted by NBC's "The Voice" and asked to audition. After much discussion with his family, he decided to audition. Cody decided to sing "He Stopped Loving Her Today" by George Jones for his blind audition. All four coaches turned their chairs around. He chose Blake as his coach. Cody's rendition brought immediate attention from country music fans all over the world.

Cody found his love of music when he and a friend needed to do a project for their Spanish Class.

They decided to compose a song in Spanish. Cody sang the song for class and before the day was over, he had sung the song in classrooms all over the school. That is when Cody discovered that he had an ability to be a singer. Encouraged by his Dad, Cody taught himself how to play the guitar at 16. He began writing songs and recording music videos. He entered some competitions and began winning many. His success included winning talent contests, first at the high school level, then during a local radio station's "Texaco Country Showdown." That led to an invitation to sing at the station for about an hour, at least once a month, for several months.



Cody has spent the months since being on "The Voice," opening for Lynyrd Skynyrd, JoDee Messina, performing at the opening of the George Jones museum, and performing every weekend around the country and area

at venues and numerous fairs and festivals. In May he headlined his own show at The Raleigh County Convention Center. In the past, he has opened for John Michael Montgomery, played twice at Jamboree in the Hills, and performed at the WV State Fair. Cody's passion is music and entertaining his audiences.

Cody is in the process of recording a record with Bill Yates of M.O.D. records. The album will be released the winter of 2016. You can contact Cody Wickline at codywicklinemusic@yahoo.com. He also has a Facebook account at Cody Wickline (Music Page) and a Twitter county [@cody_wickline](https://twitter.com/cody_wickline).