

Finnish American Band Leaders

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This is a compilation of information found as of 2007. Additional information will be added as received.

Last Name	First	U.S. Sites	Dates	Other Data
??		Raju Ath Club Band Cromwell MN	1926	
Aho	Victor	unknown		
Aho	John	Eagle Lake Band-Cromwell MN	1920s-30s	Worker's-Cromwell
Ahola	Oskari	unknown		
Ahola	William	Hibbing City Band, MN	1920s	
Bäckstrom	Hjalmar	Ely MN	1890	
Beckman		Duluth Socialist Finnish Band MN		Lappeenranta Brig.
Bloom	Victor	unknown		
Castren	Oskar	Hibbing TAPIO band <MN		
Colander	John	Nashwauk town band MN	1910	
Eklund	Paavo			
Eklund	Waldemar	Hibbing MN Workers Band	1905- 1916	, W.Va.
Foundila	Hjalmar	unknown		
Frankson	Helmar	Hibbing Town band		
Gröndahl	Edvard	Kaiku Band- and Workers	1913	Hibbing, Mn/
Haapasaari	John	Virginia Socialist Finnish Band	1895	
Hahto	Jussi	arrived 1899 in US,		Timmins-ONT 1911
Hautala	Hemming	Chisholm, Coleraine MN		
Herlevi	Sanfred	Red Lodge, MT		
Hermanson	Helmer	Chisholm Finn Temp Band		
Holopainen	Kalle	Duluth Socialist Finnish Band	1905	
Hongell	Alfred	Red Lodge/ Hibbing		

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Hulme	JG	Chisholm Finn Socialist Band		
Ikonen	Emil			
Jacobson	J.F.	Calument MI		
Jalkanen	Juho			
Jalkanen	Teppo			
Jallström	Y.S.			
Jylhä	F			
Kastel	Arvid	Eagle Lake Band-Cromwell	1920s-30s	
Kellosalmi	Alfred	Duluth Socialist Finnish Band		Lappeenranta
Kleimola	Charles	Chisholm Finn Temp. Band		
Knuttila	Jacob			
Koivunen	Alex	Chisholm Finn Temp Band		
Kotila	J.F.			
Kultti	A.O.			
Laitinen	Aapeli	Hibbing Mn Workers Band		
Laupiaainen	Jalmar	Aurora temperance band, Minn		
Laupinen	Hjalmar	Sault Ste Marie "Sävel" ONTARIO		
Liimatainen	Julius	Red Lodge Montana		
Lindroos	Frank	Duluth	1905	Played flute
Lohipainua	Peter (Mattson)	Calumet "Humu" MI		
Louhi	?	Duluth Socialist Finnish Band MN	1908	
Luoma	Fabian	Sointu Soittokunta, Wierton W Va	1914	

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Matara	Eero	Crosby Mn		
Mattila	Kalle	Red Lodge MT		
Mattson	Alex	Hibbing Finn Temp Band	1896	
Mattson	Peter (Lohipainua)	Calumet "Humu" MI		
Miettinen	?	Aurora Temperance band, Minn.		
Miettunen	Nikolai	Ely Soittokunta/ Chisholm MN	1889	the FIRST?
Niemi	Matt	Aurora temp band, Minn.	1910	
Paananen	John	Eagle Lake Band-Cromwell	1920s-30s	
Pale	Antti	Fitchburg Ma		Turku Tyäväen
Pelikka (Belikka)	Jacob			
Punkari	Jacob (Jaakko)	Sault Ste Marie "Sävel"		
Rosendahl	Hugo	Hibbing MN Workers Band		
Ruhti	Axel	Monessen PA		
Räsänen	Emil			
Rönnberg	J.			
Suojanen	Oskar	Berkeley, CA/ Red Lodge MT		
Suomi	Matti	Brooklyn: Suom. Sosialisti SK		
Taipale	Victor	Minnesota (Naskwauk, Eveleth, etc	1905	Biwabik, Chisholm
Viitanen	Antti	Aurora temp band, Minn.		
Wahlstrom	George	Mass, Mont., Mich., etc.		Finally in Ohio
Walma	Isaac	Aurora temp band, Minn.		
Warvikko	Vainö	Quincy National Band	1915	
Westerinen	Pekka	Soudan (1st in Minn.?)	1888	Oldest?

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Yrjölä	Yrjö	Duluth Socialist Finnish Band	1913	
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