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## Concert recap: XPoNential Music Festival

Saturday was a great day to attend the <u>XPoNential Music Festival</u> (presented by Subaru). The weather remained warm and sunny, despite a forecast that suggested isolated storms might be looming on the horizon. But more importantly, the music was great!

Wiggins Park, located on Camden, NJ's waterfront, played host to the daytime portion of Saturday's festivities. Audience members of all ages (including a number of families) showed up early to see acts such as Ingrid Michaelson and Strand of Oaks. Later, they gave performer (and Philadelphia native) Dave Hause a standing ovation for his passionate performance on the Marina Stage, just before finishing up their day with some lively dancing in front of the River stage to C.J. Chenier & The Red Hot Louisiana Band's jubilant Zydeco.

For some, the day ended there, depending on what pass they chose to purchase for the weekend. But for those with the 3-Day Everywhere Pass, the fun continued into the night at the nearby Susquehanna Bank Center, located within walking distance from the Park, with Dawes, Jenny Lewis and Ryan Adams. There was a communal vibe amongst the headliners was felt when Lewis

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brought up Dawes members/brothers Taylor and Griffin Goldsmith to join her on "Acid Tongue." On a "superficial observation" note, Lewis and Adams both made interesting fashion choices for the breezy evening, seeing Lewis in a Krispy Kreme paper hat and flowing purple robe that made her feel very "Harry Potter", while Adams brought the metal with his t-shirt, honoring Anthrax's album "Spreading The Disease."

Along with the beautiful sights of Philadelphia and the nicely landscaped waterfront park, WXPN's XPoNential Music Fest filled the air with beautiful sounds. Check out my photos from Saturday here.

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