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A refreshed NCR website is coming soon

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Website Relaunch Thursday. I wanted readers to get a heads up that change is coming to NCRonline.org.

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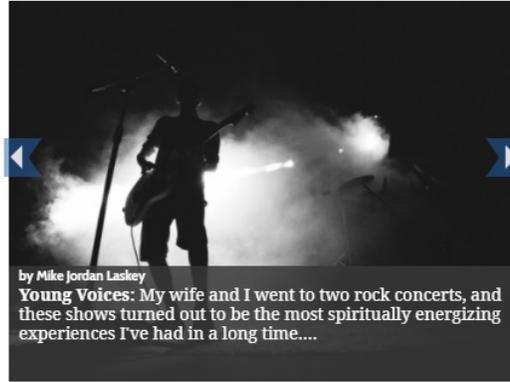
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If you have just arrived at NCRonline.org today — or even if you were here earlier today and now you're back — you should be seeing some changes to NCRonline.org.

None of the content has changed and you should be able to access, read and comment on articles by your favorite NCR writers without interruption. But you should be seeing a fresher, brighter design with easier navigation and more ways to access other great NCR reports and features. You are seeing today the end result of long process ably guided and executed by the designers and developers at **Congruity Works**.

Let me emphasize: The content hasn't changed. We haven't dropped any writers or stopped covering any issues. It is still the same high quality journalism you come to

NCR to read — but you'll find a new layout and new page designs. We've shaken up the website: Everything is in a different place, but it is all still there. Take some time to look around. Scroll up and down. Click some links. Explore all areas of the website.

One thing many of you will notice immediately, I hope, is that the new NCRonline.org will be much more mobile friendly. If you regularly read NCR on a smart phone or tablet, I think you're going to be very happy with the new experience.

Much of the improvement of the website is in behind the curtain functionality. Our web editors will have more flexibility and more creative tools to give readers different ways to access NCR content and to interact with that content. Those changes will become evident over the next few weeks.

This is the fifth reiteration of the NCR website that I have been involved with. One thing I've learned over the years is that, despite our best planning, when we relaunch the website, some things break: some links quit working, photos drop off the page, the new design doesn't work with this or that browser or this or that machine. We're doing all we can to make sure these things don't happen, but I know they will.

The other thing I've learned is that you readers often know the ins and outs of our website better than we do, so I'm enlisting your help. If you spot a problem or see something broken, please send us a note at redesign@ncronline.org. We value your feedback.

Thanks in advance for your help.

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