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Mississippi Choctaw Indian Fair Brings Top Entertainment to the Stage

CHOCTAW, Miss. – Top country and pop culture entertainment takes the stage this year at the 60th Annual Mississippi Choctaw Indian Fair in beautiful Choctaw, Miss. on July 8-11, 2009.

Beginning Wednesday, July 8th at 7 pm, don't miss your chance to see Choctaw traditions and culture at its finest at the annual Choctaw Indian Princess Pageant as contestants vie for the highly-coveted title of Choctaw Indian Princess.

Country music legends **Connie Smith** and **Marty Stuart** hit the amphitheater stage Thursday, July 9th. At 7 pm, Connie Smith will perform songs such as "Once a Day" and "How Great Thou Art." Headlining the night will be Marty Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives at 8:30 pm. Stuart, a Mississippi native, will sing such well-known songs as "Hillbilly Rock" and "Tempted." This will be a night you won't forget!

Co-headliners **Josh Gracin** and **Clay Walker** take center stage July 10th. Josh Gracin will perform at 7 pm. Gracin, a finalist on the second season of "American Idol," has captivated country music lovers everywhere with hits such as "Nothing to Lose" and "Stay With Me (Brass Bed)." Clay Walker, known for such great hits as "What's It to You", "Live Until I Die", and "Rumor has It," will hit the stage at 8:30 pm. This is a show you don't want to miss!

On Saturday, July 11 at 7:00 pm, get ready to meet today's hottest Native American singer-songwriter, **Jana Mashonee**. The Lumbee Indian GRAMMY-nominated entertainer has attracted the spotlight with her new upbeat rhythm and blues flavor album and others such as her concept album, *American Indian Story*.

At 8:30 pm, there will be a special presentation that will be sure to excite the audience.

Let's go Wildcats! It's time for *Disney's High School Musical: Summer Celebration!* featuring favorite songs from all three hit *High School Musical* movies, including "We're All In This Together," "Fabulous," and "Now or Never." Kids will sing and dance along to more than 15 chart-topping songs with a cast of performers as your favorite East High characters! This non-stop celebration will have audiences rocking the house with Wildcat spirit!

Don't forget Family Night on Tuesday, July 7th, 2009, starting at 5 pm and ending at 11 pm. The night features local gospel talents at the Dance Ground, stickball games and enjoy reduced carnival ride rates Tuesday night only.

In addition to the spectacular entertainment the Fair has to offer, fairgoers can enjoy four fun-filled days of Choctaw culture and spirit including Tribal arts, crafts, dances, foods, and the thrilling

action of World Championship Stickball. The Fair offers fun for young and old alike, from exhilarating rides and contests to well-known entertainment. There's something for everyone at the Choctaw Indian Fair.

Tickets for all acts and other fair activities excluding carnival rides are: \$15 for adult season passes, \$10 for adult day passes, \$10 for student season passes and \$5 for student day passes. Children five and under get in free. To learn more about all the Fair has to offer, call **(601) 650-7450** or visit **www.choctawindianfair.com**.

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