

PRESS RELEASE

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DUTCHESS FAIR GRANDSTAND CONCERT SERIES

Rhinebeck, NY.... Grandstand entertainers for the 2014 Dutchess County Fair include Australian pop singer Cody Simpson with Disney alumni Coco Jones, country singers, Eric Paisley and Randy Houser, breakout stars from “The Voice”, The Swon Brothers with special guest Danielle Bradbery, Americana folk rockers Simone Felice and the Felice Brothers, stunt performances by Craz E Crew’s Bikes, Blades and Boards and a Championship Bull Riding event. The Dutchess County Fair opens for its six-day run on August 19.

The concert series kicks off on Tuesday at 7pm with Cody Simpson. Only 16 and already an international star, Queensland, Australia native Simpson will showcase his latest tracks, “Pretty Brown Eyes” and “Awake All Night” from his new album 'Surfers Paradise’. Cody co-wrote every song on “Surfers Paradise”, a favorite on Disney Radio and You Tube. He made his chart debut in 2011 with “Coast to Coast” and went on to host numerous television shows including the Disney Channels “N.B.T.” (Next Big Thing) Awards. His live performances included 36 cities in North America and a European headlining tour. Following Simpson is another Disney Channel favorite, Coco Jones. Born in South Carolina and raised in Tennessee, this actress/singer/rapper started performing at the age of nine when she sang the national anthem at an NFL football game. The sixteen year old beauty released her first EP, “Made Of” in March of this year. She recently took home her first Radio Disney Music Award and

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performed her popular radio requested song “World is Dancing”. This summer her new hit on both radio and You Tube is called “Stand Up”. Meanwhile she is also appearing on the Disney Channel's hit show “Good Luck Charlie”. Tickets are \$10 pre-fair and \$15 day of the show.

American Country Music stars, Randy Houser and Eric Paslay present their musically powerful shows starting at 7pm on Wednesday, August 20. Randy Houser's hits include “Goodnight Kiss” and back to back smash successes with “Runnin Outta Moonlight” and his first platinum-selling single “How Country Feels”. His debut album, also called , “How Country Feels” hit the stores in January of 2013 and has been called a balance of 'revelry and introspection'. He has had multiple nominations for ACM and CMA awards, a No 2 single in the form of “Boots On” and further hits “Whistlin Dixie” and fan favorite, “A Man like Me”.

Eric Paslay spent many years behind the scenes, co-writing hits songs like “Even If It Breaks Your Heart” for the Eli Young Band and “Rewind” for Rascal Flatts. He also penned songs for Sheryl Crow, Amy Grant and Lady Antebellum. Though he has been appreciative of his songs being performed by other artists, it has always been his goal to perform his own music. “Friday Night”, Paslay 's No 1 single as an artist served as a preview to his Nashville debut album. The collections of songs on this album include the ballad “She Don't Love You”, the up tempo “Song About a Girl” and the uplifting “Deep As It Is Wide”. Tickets are \$25 pre-fair and \$30 day of the show.

Thursday nights' show, starting at 7:30pm features two team Blake Shelton winners from 'The Voice', The Swon Brothers and special guest Danielle Bradbery. The Swon Brothers are a

country music duo from Muskogee, Oklahoma. In 2013 they finished in 3rd place on NBC's 'The Voice' and have gone on to show audiences their musical diversity with the catchy “Oklahoma Lovin” and the bluesy, soulful, “This Close to Gone”. The Brothers, Zach and Colton, have a strong brotherly bond and the vocal talent to trade places on tunes.

Another 'team Blake' winner, Danielle Bradbery is just seventeen years old and has become the youngest winner ever on all four seasons of 'The Voice'. The Texas native earned high praise for her performances of classics like “Maybe It Was Memphis”, “Born to Fly” and “Grampa (Tell Me 'Bout The Good Old Days)” as well as her duet with Blake Shelton of “Timber, I'm Falling In Love”. These country songs landed her on the top of the iTunes Country Chart multiple times, making her the highest selling artist and youngest in the show's history. Tickets are \$15 pre-fair and \$20 day of the show

Hudson Valley 's own Americana folk/rock troubadours, The Felice Brothers and Simone Felice bring their shows to Friday nights' grandstand at 7pm. The Felice Brothers started their musical journey in 2006. Their current line up consists of Ian Felice - vocals/guitar, James Felice - accordion/keys/vocals. Greg Farly - fiddle/vocals, Josh Rawson - bass/vocals and recent addition David Estabrook - drummer. Their latest album 'Favorite Waitress' is their 5th official release and features their famous raucous kitchen sink folk with songs like “Lion”, “Cherry Licorice” and “Woman Next Door” while extending to the heartfelt ballad of “No Trouble”. Simone (the e is silent) Felice, the original founder/drummer of The Felice Brothers and Hudson Valley's prodigal son returns to his home after a 40 show international tour in support of

his latest album, "Strangers". His first musical excursion after leaving The Felice Brothers was in the formation of a group called 'The Duke and the King'. Two albums later, in 2012, Simone introduced his solo debut with his self named album. He is a renowned poet/singer/songwriter and just this year Esquire Magazine named "Running Through My Head", a single from his latest album, one of the Best Songs of the Year. Hits from his latest venture include the hauntingly romantic "Molly O", his tribute to fatherhood in, "Bye, Bye Palenville" and the powerful and poetic, "The Gallows". All seats are free.

Saturday, August 23, the Grandstand will host two shows of extreme action sports at 2 and 6:30pm. Bikes, Blades and Boards features some of today's biggest extreme sport stars performing death defying stunts of up to 20 ft in the air. All seats are free.

The excitement and thrill of the rodeo returns to the Dutchess County Fair on the last day of the 2014 fair, Sunday, August 24. The Painted Pony Rodeo featuring Championship Bull Riding will take place at the Grandstand at 2pm and 6pm. Adults \$10, Children 6-12 yrs \$5. and 5 yrs and under free.

Tickets to all shows do not include admission to the fair. Adult Fair admission is \$15. New this year... a special promotion will entitle fairgoers to an adult admission of \$7.00 on Tuesday and Thursday night after 5:00pm. Seniors and Military with ID are admitted each day of the fair for \$10. Children under 12 are admitted free . Dutchess County Fair hours are 10am to 10pm Tuesday, August 19 through Sunday August 24. For more information call 845-876-4000 or go to www.dutchessfair.com