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What: 58th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo
When: Saturday, February 11, and Sunday, February 12
Where: Mississippi State Fairgrounds

Schedule of 58th Annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo Events Taking Place Today, Saturday, February 11, and Sunday, February 12

STATE FAIRGROUNDS, Miss. – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson invites everyone to attend the 58th annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo and announces the schedule of events taking place today, Saturday, February 11, and Sunday, February 12, 2023.

One event the public will not want to miss today is the annual Dixie National Parade, which will feature an array of rodeo queens, marching groups, decorative floats, car and tractor clubs, riding groups, dignitaries, the famous Dixie National Wagon Train and much more. The parade procession will start on Mississippi Street, circle the State Capitol, and finally take a left onto Amite Street before returning to the State Fairgrounds. Spectators are encouraged to watch from the Capitol grounds near President, High and West streets for the best views. Parking will be available at the Capitol grounds and surrounding parking lots.

The Dixie National Rodeo Days Expo continues today, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and is free to the public. The expo features agricultural and educational exhibits, kids activities, western boutique shopping, specialty candy, hatters, the Genuine MS® store, stock trailers, Mississippi Army National Guard recruiters, live animals and an opportunity to meet Dixie National Rodeo queens and rodeo personnel.

In addition, the Mississippi Coliseum will host two rodeo performances today at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., featuring music artist Chancey Williams. The Dixie National Afterparty will follow the second rodeo performance and includes entertainment by the Jason Miller Band. Tickets can be purchased at www.Ticketmaster.com.

Cowboy Corner presented by Noble Barber, a one-stop shop for all things cowboy, will be open in the Atrium of the Mississippi Trade Mart today, Saturday, February 11, from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Cowboy Corner will feature haircuts by Noble Barber, special made hats by Parker Thomas Custom Hats, Artifact Beard Oils, knives and knife sharpening by Rose and Leather Knives, seasonings and spices by Game Changer and pipe and tobacco cigars from the Country Squire.

The Dixie National Steakhouse has extended its operating hours. The steakhouse will continue to be open from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on weekdays and Sundays, and will now remain open from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The steakhouse will be closed to the public on Monday, February 13, and Tuesday, February 14.

Scheduled Activities & Events for Saturday, February 11, 2023:

- 7:30 a.m. – Intercollegiate Beef Judging Contest - Equine Center
- 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. – Dixie National Rodeo Breakfast - Red Barn near Barn 16 (free breakfast)
- 8:00 a.m. – National Santa Gertrudis Show - Barn 14
- 10:00 a.m. – Farriers Competition - Front of Trade Mart
- 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo Days Expo - Trade Mart
- 10:30 a.m. – Dixie National Parade - downtown Jackson
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Cowboy Corner - Atrium of Trade Mart
- 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. – Dixie National Steakhouse - Trade Mart
- 2:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo with entertainment by Chancey Williams - Coliseum
- 3:00 p.m. – Open Gelbvieh/Balancer Show - Barn 14 (Ring 1)
- 3:00 p.m. – Open Shorthorn/Shorthorn Plus Show - Barn 14 (Ring 2)
- 4:00 p.m. – Simmental/Simbrah Sale - Sales Arena/Barn 12
- 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – Receive open swine entries and weigh barrows
- 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo with entertainment by Chancey Williams - Coliseum
- 10:00 p.m. – Dixie National Afterparty featuring Jason Miller Band - Trade Mart

Scheduled Activities & Events for Sunday, February 12, 2023:

- 7:00 a.m. – Open Simmental, Percentage Simmental, Simbrah - Barn 14
- 7:00 a.m. – Open Mini Hereford Show - Coliseum (Ring 1)
- 7:30 a.m. – Open Brangus Show - Coliseum (Ring 2)
- 9:00 a.m. – Open Barrow Show - Barn 6
- 15 minutes following Open Barrow Show – Open Swine Show - Barn 6
- 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo Days Expo - Trade Mart
- 10:15 a.m. – Cowboy Church Service - Sales Arena/Barn 12
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Steakhouse - Trade Mart
- 2:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo with entertainment by Mark Chesnutt - Coliseum
- 3:00 p.m. – Open Hereford Show - Barn 14
- 5:00 p.m. – Release all breeds of cattle shown on Saturday and Sunday

Events of the 58th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo run through Sunday, February 19, 2023. The Dixie National Rodeo, the largest rodeo east of the Mississippi River, takes place Friday, February 10, through Sunday, February 12, and again Wednesday, February 15, through Saturday, February 18, inside the Mississippi Coliseum at the State Fairgrounds.

Rodeo Entertainment:

Saturday, February 11, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Chancey Williams
Sunday, February 12, at 2:00 p.m. – Mark Chesnutt
Wednesday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. – Lainey Wilson
Thursday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. – Diamond Rio
Friday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m. – Casey Donahew
Saturday, February 18, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Chris Lane

To purchase tickets to the Dixie National Rodeo, visit <https://www.ticketmaster.com/dixie-national-rodeo-tickets/artist/848320>. For more information, visit www.dixienational.org, follow the Dixie National Livestock Show & Rodeo on Facebook or call 601-961-4000.