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**What:** 58th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo  
**When:** Wednesday, February 15, and Thursday, February 16  
**Where:** Mississippi State Fairgrounds

## **Schedule of 58th Annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo Events Taking Place Today, Wednesday, February 15, and Thursday, February 16**

**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, Wednesday, February 15, and Thursday, February 16, 2023. All events take place on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds.

One event the public will not want to miss is the Dixie National Quarter Horse Show, which continues today inside the Kirk Fordice Equine Center, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Exhibitors from 22 states across the country, as well as Brazil, and over 400 American quarter horses will participate in this multi-day event which showcases the versatility of the American quarter horse breed. Competitions for the Dixie National Quarter Horse Show include roping, barrels, ranch classes, English classes and traditional western classes. This event is free to the public.

Tonight's rodeo performance will begin at 7:00 p.m. inside the Mississippi Coliseum, featuring music artist Lainey Wilson. Concert-only ticket holders to Lainey Wilson will be able to enter the Trade Mart beginning at 7:00 p.m. Tickets will be scanned upon entry; re-entry into the building will be prohibited. Patrons will be prompted to gather in the hall of the Trade Mart during the rodeo and will be allowed to enter the arena after the conclusion of the rodeo performance. The Dixie National Steakhouse will remain open to the public during this time.

In addition, the Mississippi State Fairgrounds will host Forrie Smith, "Lloyd" from the hit television show Yellowstone, at the Dixie National Rodeo tomorrow, February 16, and Friday, February 17! Forrie will be signing autographs and meeting fans, starting at 5:00 p.m. in the Red Room inside the Coliseum each day. Guests will line up and enter from the North side of the Coliseum.

**Scheduled Activities & Events for Wednesday, February 15, 2023:**

- 8:00 a.m. – Dixie National Quarter Horse Show - Equine Center
- 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Dixie National Steakhouse - Trade Mart
- 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo with entertainment by Lainey Wilson - Coliseum

**Scheduled Activities & Events for Thursday, February 16, 2023:**

- 8:00 a.m. – Dixie National Quarter Horse Show - Equine Center
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Steakhouse - Trade Mart
- 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Rodeo with entertainment by Diamond Rio - Coliseum

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:**

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](http://www.dixienational.org), follow the Dixie National Livestock Show & Rodeo on Facebook or call 601-961-4000.

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