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What: 164th Mississippi State Fair Event Schedule

When: Sunday October 8, through Monday, October 9, 2023

Where: Mississippi State Fairgrounds

Schedule of 164th Mississippi State Fair Events for Sunday, October 8, through Monday, October 9, 2023

STATE FAIRGROUNDS, Miss. – Commissioner Gipson invites everyone to attend the 164th Mississippi State Fair and announces the schedule of Mississippi State Fair events taking place tomorrow Sunday, October 8, through Monday, October 9, 2023. All events take place on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds.

The Ultimate Line Dance Party Experience will continue as scheduled on Sunday, October 8, at 4:00 p.m. in the Coliseum. Cupid will not perform during the event. Ticketholders can request refunds prior to the event at the point of purchase. This event is put on by a private promoter, and any questions regarding the change of event can be directed to Xperience Jxn Entertainment.

The Mississippi State Fair Idol top 40 auditions take place Monday, October 9, at 6:00 p.m.

Find the complete schedule of fair events at <u>www.msstatefair.com</u>. For additional information, follow the Mississippi State Fair on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Scheduled Activities & Events for Sunday, October 8, 2023

- o 9:00 a.m. Beef Showmanship Judging Area
- o 10:00 a.m. Gates Open
- o 10:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. Exhibits, Ag Expo & Genuine MS® Store Mississippi Trade Mart
- o 10:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m. Petting Zoo Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 11:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m. Biscuit Booth Midway
- o 12:00 p.m. Rides Open
- o 12:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m., 8:15 p.m. Pig Races Mississippi Frontier Village

- o 12:30 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. Magic Show Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 1:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Zerbini Family Circus Kid Zone
- o 2:00 p.m. Tri State Rodeo Equine Center \$10 General Admission
- o 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Live Music by Acoustic Michelob Ultra Tent
- o 2:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Taste of Dixie National Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Frontier Village Train Depot Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Forrie J. Smith Michelob Ultra Tent
- o 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Dance Party & Ultimate Line Dance Xperience Mississippi Coliseum
- o 5:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m. Live Music by The McGees Michelob Ultra Tent
- o 10:00 p.m. Gates Close

Fair admission is included with a pre-purchased concert ticket to The Ultimate Line Dance Xperience. Concert tickets can be purchased at the Coliseum Box Office or Ticketmaster.

Scheduled Activities & Events for Monday, October 9, 2023

Columbus Day Ride Special - Ride Survivor \$30 - 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

- o 8:00 a.m. Junior Beef Breeding Show Judging Area
- o 8:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. State Floral Show Mississippi Farmers Market
- o 11:00 a.m. Gates Open
 - o \$5 admission per person and \$5 per car. Children 5 years of age and under are free.
- 0 11:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m. Exhibits, Ag Expo & Genuine MS® Store Mississippi Trade Mart
- o 11:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m. Petting Zoo Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 12:00 p.m. Rides Open
- o 12:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m., 8:15 p.m. Pig Races Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 12:30 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. Magic Show Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 1:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Zerbini Family Circus Kid Zone
- o 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Frontier Village Train Depot Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 4:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. Biscuit Booth Midway
- o 5:00 p.m. 9:30 p.m. Open Mic Night Michelob Ultra Tent
- o 6:00 p.m. Mississippi State Fair Idol Top 40 \$10 Admission
- o 6:30 p.m. Taste of Dixie National Mississippi Frontier Village
- o 10:00 p.m. Gates Close

Know Before You Go:

- Gate admission is \$5.00 per person, and parking is \$5.00 per car. Children ages 5 and under will be admitted free of charge. The public can purchase advance admission tickets at the Coliseum Box Office until 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 5.
- All concert tickets purchased in advance include same-day general admission to the fairgrounds.
 Concert and entertainment tickets can be purchased in advance at www.ticketmaster.com and the Coliseum Box Office.
- Fair admission is free every weekday from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., except on Monday, October 9, Columbus Day.
- Beginning at 9:00 p.m., any guest under the age of eighteen (18) seeking admission to the Fairgrounds must be accompanied by a legal adult (21 or older). Any guest may be asked to show official proof of age to be admitted after 9:00 p.m. Guests are encouraged to bring identification.
- When entering the Midway, all guests will proceed through one of several entry security points utilizing a metal detector.
- All bags are subject to search. The maximum bag size that will be accepted into the Fair is 12"x12"x6".
- No outside food or beverage allowed.

- No marketing, soliciting, political, or vending items allowed unless and as authorized under Fairground regulations.
- Pursuant to state law, the legal carry of firearms by all lawful adults is recognized on the Mississippi Fairgrounds.
- No animals (other than service animals or as authorized by Fair management for Fair activities), banners, fireworks/explosives, or laser pointers allowed.
- Jefferson Street will be closed between Pearl Street and Amite Street. Greymont Street will be open for Fair traffic only.

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Media Advisories will be sent out each afternoon during the State Fair with schedules of the two upcoming days.