

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE

ANDY GIPSON COMMISSIONER

# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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What:	59th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo
When:	Wednesday, February 7 and Thursday, February 8
Where:	Mississippi State Fairgrounds

### Schedule of 59th Annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo Events Taking Place Wednesday, February 7 and Thursday, February 8

**STATE FAIRGROUNDS, Miss.** – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson invites everyone to attend the 59th annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo and announces the schedule of events taking place tomorrow Wednesday, February 7 and Thursday, February 8, 2024. All events take place on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds. The following livestock shows are free to the public.

The second day of the Equestrians with Disabilities Horse Show will take place at 9:00 a.m. February 7 in the Equine Center. This show gives those with certain cognitive or physical challenges the opportunity to compete in showing an American Quarter Horse. Competitors range in age from teenagers to adults over 50. Events like this add more chances for participants to compete and help them build relationships. Learn more about the event here: Equestrians with Disabilities AQHA Show.

## Scheduled Activities & Events for Wednesday, February 7, 2024:

- 0 9:00 a.m. Equestrians with Disabilities Horse Show Equine Center
- o 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. Dixie National Steakhouse Trade Mart

## Scheduled Activities & Events for Thursday, February 8, 2024:

- 10:00 a.m. Sale of Champions Reception Trade Mart
- 0 10:00 a.m. Press Conference to Kick-off the Sale of Champions Atrium of the Trade Mart
- 0 11:00 a.m. Welcome and Presentation of Scholarships from Sale of Champions Trade Mart
- \*Following scholarship presentation Sale of Champions Trade Mart
- o 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. Dixie National Steakhouse Trade Mart
- o 1:00 p.m. Wagon Train Arrives Trade Mart

Events of the 59th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo run through Sunday, February 18, 2024. The Dixie National Rodeo, the largest rodeo east of the Mississippi River, takes place Friday, February 9, through

Sunday, February 11, and again Wednesday, February 14, through Saturday, February 17, inside the Mississippi Coliseum at the State Fairgrounds.

#### **Rodeo Entertainment:**

Friday, February 9, at 7:00 p.m. – Conner Smith & Colin Stough Saturday, February 10, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Tracy Byrd Sunday, February 11, at 2:00 p.m. – Chris Cagle Wednesday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. – Megan Moroney Thursday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. – Sammy Kershaw Friday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. – Corey Kent Saturday, February 17, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Parmalee

#### **Dixie National Steakhouse Hours:**

February 2-8, 2024 – 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. February 9-11, 2024 – 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. February 12 & 13, 2024 – 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. February 14-17, 2024 – 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. February 18, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

To purchase tickets to the Dixie National Rodeo, visit <u>https://www.ticketmaster.com/dixie-national-rodeo-tickets/artist/848320</u>.

For more information, visit <u>www.dixienational.org</u>, follow the Dixie National Livestock Show & Rodeo on Facebook or call 601-961-4000.



#### Photo attached.



2024 Miss Dixie National Emma Watts assists with the first day of the Equestrians with Disabilities Horse Show that took place February 6.