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Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum Hosts Annual Harvest Festival

JACKSON, Miss. – The Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum’s annual Harvest Festival begins tomorrow, Tuesday, November 5, and runs through Saturday, November 9, 2024. This event will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. each day. Admission is \$8 per person for ages 3 and up.

The museum's popular Small Town, Mississippi, comes to life each day during this beloved event. In addition, live demonstrations throughout the museum grounds will give visitors a glimpse of Mississippi’s past and show the impact agriculture has made on our lives. Demonstrations will include the operation of the Cotton Gin, Sawmill, Cane Mill, Print Shop, Blacksmith Shop and more. Wagon, Train and Carousel Rides will be available each day for \$1 per rider.

Concessions will be available for purchase each day of the event and visitors are encouraged to stop by the General Store for snacks and souvenirs, along with many new items. Complimentary biscuits will be given to everyone participating in the festivities while supplies last.

Reservations are recommended for groups but not required. For more information or to make a reservation, call 601-432-4500 or email msagmuseum@mdac.ms.gov. For more details on the annual Harvest Festival, visit www.msagmuseum.org/harvest-fest.

The Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum, a division of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce, is located at 1150 Lakeland Drive in Jackson, and is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, call 601-432-4500 or 1-800-844-8687, visit www.msagmuseum.org or visit the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum’s page on Facebook.

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Photo attached.



Visitors will experience the cotton ginning process inside the oldest operating cotton gin in America during the annual Harvest Festival. The Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum will host the 2024 Harvest Fest November 5-9, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.