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## 2019 Oregon State Fair Pulls Big Names to Columbia Bank Concert Series Lineup Prompting Early Ticket Sales

*Live Music Fans Treated to Stellar Entertainment at the L.B. Day Amphitheater*

SALEM, Ore. — Oregon State Fairgoers will have a star-studded lineup to choose from this year — one that spans decades and genres. From a country music sensation to Motown royalty, the 2019 concerts at the Fair will be a nightly celebration of live entertainment. The [Columbia Bank Concert Series at the 2019 Oregon State Fair](#) runs Friday, August 23 through Monday, September 2 in Salem.

Tickets go on sale Monday, April 8 at 10 a.m., on the [Oregon State Fair website](#).

“It may seem earlier than usual to announce the concert lineup this year — and it is!” said Dan Cox, Oregon State Fair spokesperson. “But we are so excited to share the news with our patrons about the quality of artists coming to the Fair, we couldn’t wait.”

New this year, more reserved seating options will be available for purchase. As always, the Fair will offer free general admission seating at the L.B. Day Amphitheater with admission on a first come, first served basis.

### 2019 — Oregon State Fair Concert Lineup

- **Friday, August 23:** Red-hot live performer and country music singer-songwriter Dustin Lynch kicks off the lineup this year. His first two albums mixed traditional influences with edge intensity to debut at #1 and #2 on Billboard’s Top Country Albums, with his first ever single, the tender ballad “Cowboys and Angels” earning platinum status.
- **Saturday, August 24:** 3 Doors Down first found their soulful voice in 1995, and over the last two decades, it’s only gotten louder. Their 2000 debut album, “The Better Life,” hit platinum six times and introduced the world to the now classic hit song, “Kryptonite.” Their 2002 triple-platinum album titled, “Away from the Sun”, yielded hits such as “When I’m Gone” and “Here Without You.” Both 2005 platinum-certified “Seventeen Days” and “3 Doors Down” came in at #1 on the Billboard Top 200 of the Year.



*Dustin Lynch*



*REO Speedwagon*

- **Monday, August 26:** REO Speedwagon has been electrifying audiences around the globe for decades. The band was originally signed in 1971 and has sold 40-million albums to date, with hits such as “In Your Letter”, “Can’t Fight This Feeling”, “Time for Me to Fly”, “Roll With The Changes”, “Keep On Loving You”, and “Take It on the Run.” The band has a string of gold

and platinum records and is credited with paving the way for other Midwest rock groups like STYX, Kansas and Cheap Trick.



*Steve Miller Band & Marty Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives*

- **Tuesday, August 27:** Legendary rock and roll meets country music tradition when the Steve Miller Band teams up with Marty Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives. Steve Miller’s sound spans generations, with many recognizable hits, such as: “Take the Money and Run”, “Fly Like an Eagle”, “Jet Airliner”, and “Jungle Love.” Sharing the stage is GRAMMY Award-winning singer, songwriter and musician, Marty Stuart who has played alongside the masters, from Cash to Lester Flatt. His records honor country’s rich legacy while advancing it into the future, like his latest album “Way Out West,” described as a “tour-de-force” in exhilarating music, solidifying Stuart as a truly visionary artist.

- **Wednesday, August 28:** He’s known for his vulnerability and raw emotion in his songwriting, and in December 2018, Brett Young’s sophomore album, “Ticket to L.A.” hit #1 on the Billboard Country Albums chart. It followed his colossal 2017 self-titled debut, which dominated the Top 20 Country Album Chart for 37 weeks. Young was named ASCAP’s 2018 Country Songwriter-Artist of the Year for his melodic craftsmanship. His 3X Platinum smash hit, “In Case You Didn’t Know,” was named the Song of the Year at the 2018 BMI Country Awards. Young’s breakthrough sound is described, as “West coast meets southern,” is becoming the stuff of legend, delivering electric performances for his growing legions of fans.



*Brett Young*

- **Thursday, August 29:** The groundbreaking Christian music group, Newsboys, has been helping define the sound of Christian music for more than two decades. The group’s electric live performances and megahit singles, “God’s Not Dead”, “We Believe,” and “Born Again” have led to sales of more than 8 million units and a list of gold and silver certifications, including four GRAMMY nominations, two American Music Award nominations and multiple Dove Awards. Newsboys welcomes former frontman for GRAMMY Award-winning Christian rock band, Audio Adrenaline, Adam Agee to the L.B. Day Amphitheater. The guest singer is also founding member and former frontman of the Dove Award-winning pop-punk band, Stellar Kart.

- **Friday, August 30:** The legendary Commodores will bring its classic songs and Motown sounds to the 2019 Oregon State Fair. The iconic band’s credits put them in rarefied air: 70 million albums sold, seven #1 hits, five #1 albums and a GRAMMY. The half-century of hits like “Brick House”, “Three Times a Lady”, “Night Shift”, and “Easy” led to the well-deserved induction into the Vocal Hall of Fame in 2003. Their show will be a non-stop stream of their greatest hits, with fans spanning generations.



*The Commodores*

- **Saturday, August 31:** In 1963, The Beach Boys hit the national scene with its new, “California Sound”, embodying the youth and surfing culture of the time. From its humble beginnings in a garage, The Beach Boys are now considered one of the most critically acclaimed, commercially successful, and influential bands of all time with a slew of hits, including: “Wouldn’t It Be Nice”, “I Get Around”, “Good Vibrations”, and “California Girls”.

- **Monday, September 2:** A trifecta of iconic bands rounds out the 2019 line up, as Firefall, Pure Prairie League and Poco hit the stage for a Labor Day mash up. Firefall has been leading the Americana music genre for four decades, with hits like, “You Are the Woman”, “Just Remember I Love You” and “Livin’ Ain’t Livin’”. Poco has a musical arc that spans 50 years with growing recognition as godfathers of the Americana roots movement. Founding member, Rusty Young, is the writer and vocalist behind such hits as Rose of Cimarron and the #1 smash hit, “Crazy Love”. Pure Prairie League has evolved over its 43-year history to be one of the pioneering forces of country rock. It carried its success through the 70’s and early 80’s, releasing ten albums with hits including “Amie” and “Let Me Love You Tonight”.

#### ***2019 Concert Ticket Prices/Times***

All concerts begin at 7 p.m., with the exception of the 4 p.m. Labor Day concert.

This year, concert tickets include Fair admission — when purchased in advance of the performance date.

- **VIP:** \$75; Black section reserved seating or standing room only/party pit;.
- **Red section:** \$50; (including ADA Platforms)
- **Yellow and green sections:** \$40; Some sections will be opened up to general admission based on sales.
- **Blue section:** FREE; General admission seating on a first come first served basis. The number will vary, based on the concert, and people are encouraged to purchase reserved seats early.
- **Grace Note Promo:** Special promotion [details here](#).

#### ***About the Oregon State Fair***

The Oregon State Fair, established in 1861, first began in Oregon City, Oregon during the time of the U.S. Civil War. Since 1862, the Fair has called the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem home, hosting thousands of visitors from near and far with premier concerts, art, culture, rides, agricultural exhibits and livestock. The 2018 fair won accolades for its marketing campaigns at the annual convention of the Western Fairs Association, which represents all fairs in the Western U.S., the Fair’s 2018 TV spot won first place, and its radio commercial won second place in the “Large Fairs” category. The Oregon State Fair also won top awards in 2018 for billboard advertising and social media in the competition put on by the Oregon Fairs Association. For more information, visit [oregonstatefair.org](http://oregonstatefair.org).

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