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## NEWS RELEASE

### SMOKY HILL RIVER FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES HEADLINER STAGE ACTS & MORE

(Salina, KS 03-2019) Salina Arts & Humanities announces the three headliner acts and other updates for the Smoky Hill River Festival 2019, scheduled for Thursday to Sunday, June 13-16.

The headliner acts set to debut at River Festival 2019, along with their primary media partners, are:

\*Lost Wax, a Kansas City dance and party band with strong vocal and instrumental talent, known for its musical mash-ups that keep audiences moving to six decades of pop, rock, hip hop and R&B. Supported by Power Hits 97.5 FM, performing Friday, June 14, 8:30 p.m. <http://lostwaxkc.com/>

\*Larkin Poe, Nashville-based singer/songwriter, multi-instrumentalist sisters who have created their own brand of roots rock 'n' roll: gritty, soulful and flavored by their Southern heritage. Rebecca and Megan Lovell are descendants of the artist and poet Edgar Allen Poe. Supported by Y93.7, performing Saturday, June 15, 8:30 p.m. <http://larkinpoe.com>

\*Joe's Pet Project, hometown favorites famous for their live shows featuring diverse originals and eclectic covers. Members Nathan Tysen, Ryan McCall, John Hobson, Jason Hammond and Lance Gilchrist are known and loved by many. The group will close the Festival, playing a special set on Sunday June 16 at 3:30 p.m. <https://www.facebook.com/joespetproject>

Among other featured Festival bands are Dustin Arbuckle & the Damns – a Wichita-based act with a strong American Roots repertoire, supported by 99 KG, with four sets on Eric Stein Stage and Stage II, Saturday and Sunday, June 15-16. [www.dustinarbuckledamns.com](http://www.dustinarbuckledamns.com)

Occasional updates about stage and roving acts, the River Festival's art show and outdoor Art Installations, Food Row, Artyopolis and more will be released prior to the Press Briefing for Festival 2019 that is on Tuesday, April 9 at 10 a.m. Weekend admission buttons go on sale Wednesday, May 1 at about 40 Salina locations and in 19 other cities.

With more than 300 sponsoring families and businesses and 2,000 volunteers, the Smoky Hill River Festival is a 43-year success story in partnerships, from innovative performances to hands-on collaborations to generating revenue that supports the arts year-round.

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For details on how to sponsor or volunteer at the Festival, contact [sah@salina.org](mailto:sah@salina.org). Visit [riverfestival.com](http://riverfestival.com) or [Facebook.com/SHRiverFestival](https://www.facebook.com/SHRiverFestival) for details.

*The Smoky Hill River Festival is the flagship event of Salina Arts & Humanities. A department of the City of Salina, SAH has served a unique role in arts advocacy and support since 1966. The Smoky Hill River Festival, Horizons Grants Program, Smoky Hill Museum, Arts Infusion Program in schools, Community Art & Design, the ArtsMatterSalina e-blast, and Friday Night Live performance series are among the programs of Salina Arts & Humanities, located at 211 W. Iron Avenue in Salina.*

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