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Smoky Hill River Festival Announces Early Entertainment Details for 2021

(Salina, KS 03-2021) Salina Arts & Humanities announces, on its new River Festival website, initial details of Festival entertainment for 2021.

Featured on its four live stages and roving across shady Oakdale Park, Festival entertainment is a key part of the excitement and enjoyment many anticipate each year at the River Festival.

“Entertainment for the 45th anniversary Festival is dynamic and varied, reflecting the Festival’s rich musical tradition,” says Festival entertainment coordinator Anna Pauscher Morawitz. “Each act, whether on-stage or roving, will bring joy to longtime Festival-goers or first-time visitors. Also, being able to search for new or favorite acts by stage or by day on riverfestival.com, will make planning your Festival entertainment schedule even more convenient and fun.”

While a good portion of Festival entertainers appear on the website, final acts including all headliners will be announced later this spring, making the Festival entertainment lineup fully searchable.

Among returning stage acts for 2021 is popular duo Joe Scott and Hannah Alkire, as Acoustic Eidolon. Among returning roving or Arty’s Stage acts are the rhythmic Drum Safari, Richard Renner, balloon artists Up, Up & Away, and Dennis Porter of Happy Faces Entertainment. More than 150 performances across 4 days give Festival-goers diverse and affordable entertainment choices.

Scheduled for Thursday to Sunday, Sept 2-5 in Oakdale Park, River Festival 2021 will celebrate the 45th anniversary of this unique and beloved arts celebration. New for Festival 2021 will be advance-price admission wristbands at \$15 for 4 days, available for purchase beginning Monday July 26, for five weeks. Daily \$10 wristbands will be sold only at the gate. Children 11 and under get in free.

Highlights of Festival entertainment and other key activities will be shared in the coming months, with complete details announced at the SHRF 2021 Press Briefing on Tuesday, July 13 at 10 a.m. at the SAH offices at the Smoky Hill Museum.

Visit riverfestival.com or [Facebook.com/SHRiverFestival](https://www.facebook.com/SHRiverFestival) for details. For details on how to sponsor or volunteer at the Festival, call 785-309-5770 or contact sah@salina.org.

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For needed accommodations, please call Amanda Morris at Salina Arts & Humanities at 785-309-5770 between 8:00 a.m. – Noon and 1 to 5 p.m. Every effort will be made to accommodate known disabilities. For material or speech access, please call at least five working days prior to the event.

Salina Arts & Humanities, a department of the City of Salina, has served a unique role as an arts advocate and resource partner since 1966. The Smoky Hill River Festival, Horizons Grants Program, Smoky Hill Museum, Arts Infusion Program in schools, Community Art & Design, and Creative Connections are among the programs of Salina Arts & Humanities, located at 211 W. Iron Avenue in Salina.

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