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Blake Shelton Announced for 2024 Grandstand Concert Series

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St. Paul, Minn. – The Minnesota State Fair is pleased to announce Blake Shelton for the 2024 Grandstand Concert Series sponsored by Sleep Number. Visit mnstatefair.org/grandstand/ for Grandstand information. Show details are as follows:

Blake Shelton

7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 25

Tickets: \$77, \$97, \$127, \$207 (all reserved seating) & \$154 (Party Deck)

On sale: 10 a.m. Friday, March 22

<u>Media Photos:</u> A gallery of high-resolution Grandstand photos is available for media use at: mnstatefair.org/get-involved/media/media-gallery-grandstand-artists/

Tickets are available through Etix at etix.com or by calling 800-514-3849. For additional State Fair ticket information, call 651-288-4427. Please note that the State Fairgrounds Ticket Office will not be open for in-person sales. Currently, tickets will be sold online and by phone only.

About Blake Shelton: As the genre's chief ambassador, Blake Shelton has been delivering country music to a diverse audience for more than 20 years. In that time, he has accumulated an astonishing 28 No. 1 singles, sold nearly 15 million album equivalents, and earned upwards of 12.5 billion global streams. Shelton has received myriad awards, including six ACMs, three AMAs, 10 CMAs, 11 CMTs, six People's Choice Awards, and more. The 2023 edition of his "Back to the Honky Tonk" Tour Presented by Kubota was one of Billboard's Top 100 Tours of the Year and earned rave reviews from fans and critics alike. As an original coach on the Emmy Award-winning television show "The Voice," Shelton brought a steady diet of current and classic country music to the NBC prime-time audience. After 23 seasons and nine championships, he stepped away from the show in May 2023. He and Carson Daly have teamed up to executive produce and star in the high-spirited celebrity game show "Barmageddon." Hosted by Nikki Garcia, the show aired on USA Network and premiered as the network's highest-rated debut episode in more than three years. Season Two wrapped in January and is streaming on Peacock. The Grand Ole Opry member also remains focused on his Ole Red partnership with Ryman Hospitality, with locations currently in Tishomingo, Nashville, Gatlinburg, Orlando, and an exciting new venue in Las Vegas just opened. A noted humanitarian, Shelton has helped raise millions of dollars for children's hospitals, disaster relief organizations, food banks, the OKPOP Museum, and more in his home state of Oklahoma and beyond. blakeshelton.com/

The following 2024 Grandstand shows have already been announced with tickets on sale: Chance The Rapper (Aug. 23); Nate Bargatze: The Be Funny Tour (Aug. 24); Happy Together Tour 2024 featuring The Turtles, Jay and the Americans, The Association, Badfinger, The Vogues and The Cowsills (Aug. 26); Mötley Crüe (Aug. 29); and KIDZ BOP LIVE 2024 (Sept. 2). Additional Grandstand artists will be announced periodically between now and the 2024 fair. State Fair fans and music enthusiasts are encouraged to sign up for the State Fair's e-news at mnstatefair.org to receive concert announcements before tickets go on sale.

The Nightly Fireworks Spectacular, sponsored by Mazda, follows all Grandstand shows, weather permitting.

Pre-fair discount admission tickets are currently on sale for the 2024 Great Minnesota Get-Together. Visit mnstatefair.org/tickets/admission-tickets/ for more information.

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