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## Stephen Sanchez Announced for 2024 Grandstand Concert Series

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

## Stephen Sanchez

7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31 Tickets: \$34, \$44, \$54, \$64 (all reserved seating) & \$68 (Party Deck) On sale: 10 a.m. Friday, May 3

<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 Stephen Sanchez: Stephen Sanchez has materialized at the forefront of popular culture with a sound that's as timeless as it is necessary for the times. It's easy to sway into the embrace of his breezy baritone stylings, warm guitar phrasing and untouchable charisma. His music is also an eternal bright spot illuminated by a belief that the kind of romance and love we used to see on the silver screen is still possible. Barely in his 20s, the singer, songwriter, guitarist and producer has already enchanted audiences everywhere. His breakout single "Until I Found You" went Multi-Platinum, vaulted into the Top 25 of the Billboard Hot 100, and generated nearly 2 billion streams powered by the original piano version and duet with Gold-certified pop singer and songwriter Em Beihold. He delivered much-talkedabout performances on "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert," "Late Night with Seth Meyers" and "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon." Meanwhile, he also sold out successive headline tours and earned acclaim from Billboard, Consequence and more. He was even invited by Sir Elton John to perform "Until I Found You" at Elton's last show ever headlining Glastonbury. Now, Sanchez spins a story unlike anything you've ever heard (or seen) on his 2023 full-length debut "Angel Face" (Mercury Records/Republic Records) introduced by the single "Be More." The record tells the tale of The Troubadour Sanchez, a fictional musician who blew up in 1958 with "Until I Found You," lit up popular culture, and was tragically gunned down in 1964 after falling in love with a mob boss' girlfriend, Evangeline. However, his long-lost debut has been unearthed 59 years later in the form of "Angel Face." stephensanchezofficial.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); Blake Shelton (Aug. 25); Happy Together Tour 2024 featuring The Turtles, Jay and the Americans, The Association, Badfinger, The Vogues and The Cowsills (Aug. 26); Ludacris & T-Pain (Aug. 27); Mötley Crüe (Aug. 29); Matchbox Twenty (Aug. 30); and KIDZ BOP LIVE 2024 (Sept. 2). The final two Grandstand artists will be announced between now and late summer. 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.

The Minnesota State Fair is one of the largest and best-attended expositions in the world. Showcasing Minnesota's finest agriculture, art and industry, the Great Minnesota Get-Together is 12 Days of Fun Ending Labor Day. The State Fair is financially self-supporting and does not receive government appropriation. Follow along on Facebook, X, Instagram and TikTok @mnstatefair for year-round updates. The 2024 Minnesota State Fair will run Aug. 22 through Labor Day, Sept. 2. Visit mnstatefair.org for more information.

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