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***Udderly Fantastic* concerts ignite EISF!**

*Country legend **Ronnie Dunn**, pop stars **Allstar Weekend**, Rock band **Hinder** are highlights!*

BLACKFOOT, ID (August 15, 2011) – From country music to teen pop, the 2011 Eastern Idaho State Fair is bringing an award-winning line-up of concerts for all ages to enjoy. Now with three nights of music in the Fair's newly renovated Grandstand, along with free concerts on the West Events Stage, 2011 EISF offers more concerts from popular artists than ever before!

Music ignites in the Grandstand beginning **Wednesday, September 7, at 8 pm** with American Rock band **Hinder (\$28)**. With releases hitting the tops of music charts worldwide, Hinder has appeared both on Motley Crue's Saints of Los Angeles Tour, as well as Nickelback's Dark Horse Tour, which ran through Live Nation outdoor amphitheaters. Fans will enjoy hit songs – "All American Nightmare," "Lips of an Angel," "How Long," "Use Me" and "Without You" from albums including *Extreme Behavior*, *Take it to the Limit* and *All American Nightmare*.

On **Thursday, September 8, at 7 pm, Allstar Weekend (\$20)** makes a detour from their summer tour with Selena Gomez to perform at the Fair. These teen pop sensations have reached the No. 1 spot on Radio Disney and have a highly anticipated new album *All the Way* being released Sept. 27. Young Fairgoers will be making a bee-line to the Grandstand for what's sure to be a dance- and scream-fest to hear their new hit single "Blame it on September," hits from their debut album *Suddenly Yours* -- "Come Down With Love" and "Dance Forever" – as well as "Not Your Birthday," which was featured on the soundtrack of the Disney movie *Prom*.

"Our goal above everything is to make it a night that everyone can remember the rest of their lives," says lead vocalist Zach Porter. Their performance in Blackfoot will be nothing less.

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The Grandstand will show its Country roots with a solo appearance from Country Music legend **Ronnie Dunn (\$32) on Friday, September 9, at 8 pm**. Best known for his partnership with Kix Brooks which catapulted Brooks & Dunn into the hearts and souls of fans everywhere, Ronnie is one of the few songwriters to achieve 60 million plays on radio. Ronnie first played at the Eastern Idaho State Fair in 1993 with Brooks & Dunn, and fans will embrace him once again. With their exceedingly popular tours and more than 30 million records sold, Brooks & Dunn dominated the music industry consistently through the fall of 2009 when they mutually decided to pursue solo careers. Fans are sure to hear Ronnie's latest hit "Cost of Livin," as well as familiar hits that put Brooks & Dunn at the top of the country music singles charts 23 times: "Brand New Man," "Boot Scootin Boogie," "You're Gonna Miss Me When I'm Gone," "My Maria," "Only In America" and "Red Dirt Road."

Opening for Ronnie Dunn, **Stealing Angels** is creating buzz in the Nashville music scene, and this trio of women will do the same in Blackfoot. They all are descendants of famous families: Tayla Lynn is the granddaughter of music legend Loretta Lynn, Jennifer Wayne is the granddaughter of movie legend John Wayne, and Caroline Cutbirth is descended from famous pioneer Daniel Boone. With songs influenced from true-life experiences and a new single "Paper Heart", these talented women are blazing new trails and crossing into new horizons as they take their music to the people.

Tickets to these Grandstand events are on sale now at www.funatthefair.com and include Fair admission – plan ahead, choose your seats, print your tickets at home or at work – and avoid waiting in ticket lines! Arrive early and enjoy the many other sights, sounds, thrills and tastes of the Fair!

Outside the Grandstand, Fairgoers also will find great FREE music on the West Events Stage, presented by East Idaho Credit Union. Jackson Hole singer-songwriter **Cary Judd** (Sept. 3-7, 4pm & 8pm) will perform hits from albums *Perfect Uncertain*, *Looking Back from Space* and *Goodnight Human*. "Nashville Star" finalist and Utah native **Charley Jenkins** (Sept. 8-10, 4pm & 8pm) will entertain with songs from albums *Greatest Hours*, *Hold On*, *Round Here* and *Ridin*.

All this music and more can be found only in one place: the 2011 Eastern Idaho State Fair, returning to Blackfoot on Saturday, September 3, through Saturday, September 10. Complete schedules and 2011 Fair information can be found at www.funatthefair.com or by calling (208) 785-2480.

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*An annual tradition for 109 years, the Eastern Idaho State Fair is a favorite destination to over 200,000 visitors, creating fond memories and unforgettable experiences to all ages. This year's theme, **It's Udderly Fantastic**, is a celebration of Idaho's agricultural heritage – a vital part of the Fair throughout its history. From entertainment to agricultural heritage, every aspect of the Eastern Idaho State Fair is udderly fantastic!*