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For Immediate Release:

New Attractions at the 2024 Oklahoma State Fair

Oklahoma City – Fair organizers work tirelessly every year to cultivate an event that honors the timeless traditions of Fairs past and welcomes new attractions to keep fairgoers enchanted. Check out this list of just some of the new shows, exhibits, competitions, and more coming to the 2024 Oklahoma State Fair.

<u>Taste of the Fair Tuesday</u>, Sept. 17 – Take advantage of \$4 outside gate admission, \$4 food items from nearly every stand at the Fair, \$4 Little Book of BIG DEALS, and \$4 Sky Eye Wheel ride tickets for everyone!

<u>OK!toberfest</u> – Head to the Fest Tent, located between the Jim Norick Arena and the Bennett Event Center, for German beer, wine, food, and music! Live bands will be playing and the drinks will be flowing Thursday through Sunday, both weekends of the Fair! Step over to Harvell Concessions next door to the Fest Tent for bratwursts and German potato salad.

<u>Stinkin' Sentra by Dent Source</u> – Four contestants will live in this stinkin' Sentra during the 2024 Oklahoma State Fair! The last person to exit gets to take it home! Stop by and check out the competition on the Centennial Lawn. Visit <u>stinkinsentra.com</u> for more information.

<u>Urban Homesteading Expo</u>, Sept. 15 - 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. – Presented by Okie Homesteading. If you're intrigued by the idea of homesteading but have little to no acreage, you're not alone. Check out this special event to learn about urban homesteading.

Bison Encounter, Sept. $19 - 22 - \text{If you have never seen Oklahoma's majestic state mammal up close or if you have burning questions you wanted to ask about these amazing creatures, now's your chance to do both. Visit the Oklahoma Bison Association experts in Barn 3 during the last four days of the Fair to experience it.$

<u>Wine & Palette</u>, Sept. 19 - 4 & 6 p.m. – These painting classes accommodate all from the novice to the master. Supplies are provided for this one of a kind make it and take it souvenir opportunity. Fair admission is included in the registration fee. Visit okstatefair.com for more info.

<u>Stargazing in the Planetarium</u> – Sit back and look up as the night sky comes alive five times a day with audiences learning about constellations, planets, the structure of the universe, and more. It's an experience for all ages. Located in the Arts Annex.

<u>Crackin' Corn Comedy Show</u> – When the cornball clodhopper cranks up his crop-quenching contraption, these rural rubes conjure up a crowd coolin' cloudburst. You can catch them strolling around the circle or sit yourself down and enjoy one of their shows in the Oklahoma Frontier Experience throughout the day.

<u>Pirate Adventure Experience</u> – Catch Pirate Man Dan as he takes to the Fair seas and sails around The Circle and down Wichita Walk onboard his pirate ship! When he pulls into a port, you might catch him leaving his ship on stilts or a unicycle or maybe you get a chance to hop on board, grab a foam sword, and have someone snap your picture with the pirate himself!

<u>Tumbleweed Crossing</u> – This award-winning comedy wild west gunfight stunt show will take you on a ZANY trip back in time where laughs fly like bullets and hilarity is the law of the land!

<u>Sophie Duch, PRCA Stunt Rider</u> – Sophie Duch has been riding and competing in equestrian events since she was three years old. 2024 began her rookie year in the PRCA and seventh year of her career in rodeo entertainment with trick riding, Roman riding, and an Annie Oakley mounted shooting reenactment. Grab your front row seat and be amazed at her riding expertise twice daily during the Wild West Showcase.

<u>Pirate Man Dan</u> – Get ready for thrilling escapes, unicycle stunts, knife or fire juggling, balloons and whacky antics, music and dance moves, all choreographed to a pirate nautical theme and story. Watch your loved ones be a part of the show and laugh harder than you thought possible!

<u>The Great American Living Carousel</u> – This living carousel boasts beautiful purebred Welsh ponies that carry their little cowboys and cowgirls under a revolving tent top.

<u>Pretty Bird Paradise</u> – This is a FREE interactive all-day exhibit. Fair patrons may enter the aviary and interact with over 100 parakeets. Feed sticks will be available to purchase but are not required. Fun Fact: Most of the birds are rescue birds.

<u>Wick & Whimsy Frontier Candle Maker</u> – Jenni brings her craft of candle making all the way from Rockwood, Tennessee. Oklahoma welcomes her to our great Fair and can't wait for her to join all the other Frontier artisans in the Oklahoma Frontier Experience.

<u>Reading is Sweet</u> – Creative Arts Contest, Junior Arts & Crafts, Division 3645 – Kids will create a treat for their favorite storybook characters. Items will be tasted and a reason why they made it must be provided.

<u>Poultry Show</u> – Grab your feathered friends and head to the OK State Fair! With a variety of classes and divisions, there's something for everyone. Get all the info in the poultry competition guide.

<u>Major Neurocognitive Crafts</u> – Creative Arts Contest, Fine Arts, Crafts & Hobbies, Division 3523 – This is a pre-Fair contest for those with a major neurocognitive disorder such as Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, etc., to enter an item they have created!

<u>From the Beehive: Beeswax & Cut Comb Contest</u> – Creative Arts Contest, Fine Arts, Crafts & Hobbies, Division 3524 – Partnering with the Oklahoma State Beekeepers Association, competitors will bring their cut comb and beeswax to be judged.

<u>Old Timers Showmanship</u> – Livestock competitions are not just the young man's game! Those of a more advanced age are welcome into the show ring! Check out the beef competition guide for more info.

<u>Supreme Overall Cattle Drive</u> – Making a grand return to the Oklahoma State Fair, there will be an overall supreme drive in the cattle ring, naming a Supreme Overall Junior Heifer, a Supreme Overall Open Heifer, and a Supreme Overall Open Bull!

Oklahoma State Fair Youth Attendance Policy – Fairgoers under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or chaperone 25 years of age or older after 5 p.m. ID may be required. Eligible adults may accompany up to five (5) minors. Minors in violation of this policy are subject to removal from the event. Visit okstatefair.com for more information.

Special event announcements and general updates for the 2024 Oklahoma State Fair will be released as information becomes available. Important safety and security updates can be found <u>on our website.</u> To stay up-to-date on all the Fair fun, visit <u>www.okstatefair.com</u>, find us on <u>Facebook</u>, and follow us on <u>X</u> and <u>Instagram</u>. And don't forget to share your Fair memories and stories with us using #OKStateFair and #LETSGOAGAIN.

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