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Silver Dollar City Presents The Unique & Extraordinary At Festival Of Wonder Coming April 11

(Branson, MO April 2018) Bringing the unique and extraordinary to the stages of Silver Dollar City, **The Festival Of Wonder opens April 11 at the 1880s theme park with larger-than-life performances and acts of curiosity.** Designed as “A Most Amazing Entertainment Experience,” the festival features performances that are as unexpected as they are entertaining, from a harp that spans the entire length of a theater to athletes performing flips and flying stunts on pogo sticks.

“It’s extremely challenging finding just the right acts for this festival,” shares Rex Burdette, Silver Dollar City Entertainment & Events Manager, who has been booking acts at the park for over 25 years. “It’s basically a huge treasure hunt, looking for each special act that sets itself apart with unusual twists to the ‘expected spectacular,’ making it show-stopping extraordinary.”

Featuring entertainment from all over the world, the festival brings NEW acts including CirqUnique, showcasing an out-of-this-world contortionist from Asia; the DiabloDiva juggler, whose circus performing family has been astounding audiences throughout Europe for seven generations; a fire juggler with multiple Guinness world records; a slack wire artist from Russia performing unbelievable acrobatic feats on a loose high wire; and an extreme pole-balancing duo with an act that features a bicyclist riding *upside down*. Other new acts prepared to thrill are the **X-Pogo Stuntmen, the world’s most extreme Pogo performance team based in the US,** holding 13 Guinness World Records for incredible Pogo stunts incorporating jumps and flips nine feet in the air; **world-renowned illusionist Canadian Vitaly Beckman** with illusions unlike any other; and **mandolin virtuoso Radim Zenkl,** originally from the Czech Republic and a former US National Mandolin Champion, whose performances include a variety of instruments from a 6-foot long Slovakian flute to an Australian didgeridoo.

Returning favorites include the **Earth Harp Collective, featuring the world’s largest playable stringed instrument,** with 75-foot strings stretching the length of the theater, plus a new 9-foot orb covered in drumheads and other unique musical instruments by visionary William Close; and **Speed Painting by Paint Jam** of Texas, featuring top speed performance art. **Unique culinary dishes served up in Foods of Wonder** complete the festival experience.

The festival concludes an exciting spring season along with the opening of the new ride **Time Traveler, the World’s Fastest, Steepest and Tallest Complete-Circuit Spinning Roller Coaster.** **At an investment of \$26 million, this is Silver Dollar City’s biggest attraction ever, introducing a new generation of thrill coasters for families.**

The Festival Of Wonder runs Wednesday through Sundays, April 11 through 29 at the Branson, Missouri theme park. Information: 800-831-4FUN(386) or www.silverdollarcity.com.