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Cool Spring Downtown District Announces Headliner for Juneteenth Jubilee

Two-Day Festival to Feature National Performing Acts

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Fayetteville, N.C. – On behalf of the City of Fayetteville, Cool Spring Downtown District (CSDD) is pleased to announce the marquee headliners for the second annual Juneteenth Jubilee in the heart of downtown Fayetteville, in Festival Park on Saturday, June 17, and Sunday, June 18, 2023.

In keeping with the 1970s theme, organizers are pleased to announce the headlining acts for Saturday's stage. The opening headline act is an acclaimed disco, soul, and funk group born right here in Fayetteville, NC, The Fatback Band. Originally founded in 1966 by musician Bill "Fatback" Curtis, The Fatback Band have been getting audiences on the dance floor for 50 years with their influential upbeat, orchestral soul music. Disco pioneers with a sound that merged jazz and funky beats with a touch of West Indies & Caribbean style, the Fatback Band has released more than 35 albums of original material infused with every imaginable genre of music, from jazz, funk, R&B, disco, rap, and all eras of soul.

Saturday evening closes out with multi-platinum, Grammy Award-winning funk R&B recording artist, Rose Royce. Although Rose Royce is best known for their great ballads, they are one of the funkiest bands around. Audiences will recognize Rose Royce from the soundtrack to the mega-hit movie, Car Wash. With a thirty-five-year recording history under her belt, Rose Royce is still played on contemporary radio stations and has been sampled or covered by many artists, including Beyonce ("Wishing On A Star"), Seal ("Love Don't Live Here Any More"), and Mary J Blige ("I'm Going Down").

On Sunday, organizers are thrilled to welcome the Jubilee stage, multiple Grammy Award and Soul Train Music Award-winning, Motown Gospel recording artist, Tye Tribbett. With over 20 years in music and ministry, Tye Tribbett is an accomplished, charismatic, energetic, and dynamic personality. He has collaborated with a plethora of renowned artists such as Faith Hill, Snoop Dog, India Arie, Sting, Common, and Mary J. Blige.

Often heralded as the "Elvis of Gospel", and one of the most relevant voices of this generation, in addition to being a Stellar and Dove Award-winning artist, with over 1.3 million albums sold, Tye Tribbett can also be seen pastoring alongside his wife, Shante Tribbett, at their newly launched ministry in Orlando, FL. Tribbett's musical sound ranges from high-energy praise songs to intimate worship moments, from African rhythms to trap gospel beats, showcasing unique and passionate artistry at its best.

In addition to the stage performances, attendees will be able to partake in the delicious offerings from over 20 local food trucks of all varieties. Artists, artisans, and other local vendors will be on hand to entice visitors with wares for every whim. Non-profit organizations, such as Momma's Village and NC Counts will be on hand to offer information on history, cultural activities, health resources, and artistic interactions for festival-goers of all ages. Families with children can enjoy bounce houses, yard games, or card games in the games area. With an estimated 100+ vendors, the second annual Juneteenth Jubilee guarantees something for everyone as we gather to celebrate freedom and (comm)unity.

The current list of confirmed Juneteenth Jubilee event sponsors includes Healy Wholesale Company, Inc., MetroNet, Duke Energy, Blue Ridge Power, Methodist University, Rogers Law Firm, WIDU, and Beasley Media, with title media sponsor ABC11. Additional sponsorships are pending. To learn more about Juneteenth Jubilee sponsorship opportunities, please email info@coolspringfay.org.

Visitors to and residents of Cumberland County may follow CSDD's efforts and announcements on their website at visitdowntownfayetteville.com, on Facebook at @CoolSpringFAY.org or @downtownfayetteville, Instagram at @coolspringdowntowndistrict or @downtownfay. The Cool Spring Downtown District, Inc. is a charitable, nonprofit corporation formed in 2017 to create and sustain an arts and entertainment district located in downtown Fayetteville, North Carolina, as a vibrant center of artistic, cultural, civic, and commercial activity.

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