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MONMOUTH COUNTY FAIR OFFERS MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT



FREEHOLD – The **Monmouth County Fair** is almost here and brings with it incredible live musical performances on its Main Stage. **Yasgur's Farm** kicks things off on opening night, Wednesday, July 23, by capturing the spirit of the sixties during their sets from 8:15-9 p.m. and 9:30-10:15 p.m. Then get ready to dance on Thursday, July 24, when **Mission Dance Band** and their powerful vocals, horns and rhythm section take the stage from 8:30-10 p.m. Performing everything from today's hits to favorite throwbacks from the 70s, this high-energy band promises to deliver an unforgettable night of music.

On Friday, July 25, New Jersey native singer-songwriter **Nicole Atkins** will wow audiences with her powerful and distinctive voice from 8:30-10 p.m. Experience her star power firsthand as she performs songs – a blend of dark Americana, soul-soaked psychedelia, and cult indie rock - from her string of critically lauded albums.

Then feel the love during ***Yellow Brick Road – A Tribute to Elton John*** from 8:30-10 p.m. on Saturday, July 26. Trained jazz pianist Gerald Brann and his talented five-piece band recreate the experience of being at an Elton John concert. Wearing replica costumes and the trademark outrageous glasses, Gerald Brann covers hits like "Rocket Man," "Candle in the Wind," and "Crocodile Rock."

Sunday, July 27, brings students from ***Rockit Academy*** from 2-2:45 p.m. and local favorites ***Jackson Pines*** from 4:15-5:30 p.m. Led by the acoustic duo of Joe Makoviecki and James Black, ***Jackson Pines*** combines rock, blues and traditional folk for a sound that's all their own. The band recently recorded ***Pine Barrens Vols. 1 & 2*** and are working on ***Vol. 3*** and have previously released their own music.

Held at East Freehold Showgrounds, 1500 Kozloski Road, Freehold, the ***Monmouth County Fair*** also offers strolling entertainment, rides, games, a ***Home & Garden Competition***, 4-H shows & exhibits, opening night fireworks (weather permitting), and so much more. Additional highlights include ***DAWG Pro Wrestling presents DAWG Days of Summer, Andrew's Big Show, Bwana Jim Wildlife Show, Hilby the Skinny German Juggle Boy, Mutts Gone Nuts, Robinson's Racing Pigs, and Tommie Turvey's Stunt Horses & Dogs.***

The Fair is open 4-11 p.m. on Wednesday-Friday, July 23-25; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. on Saturday, July 26; and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Sunday, July 27. General daily admission to the ***Monmouth County Fair*** is \$10 per adult; children 12 and under are admitted free. Veterans and active military with ID also enter for free. On Sunday, seniors 65 and older and students with ID are free. Admission is half-priced during the first two hours of each day; 4-6 p.m. Wednesday-Friday; and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday & Sunday.

For the most current information about the ***Monmouth County Fair***, visit www.MonmouthCountyFair.com or call 732-842-4000. For persons with hearing impairment, the TTY/TDD number is 711.

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