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Family Fun to Fit the Family Dollar

Colorado State Fair Provides Affordable Entertainment

PUEBLO, Colo. – The Colorado State Fair has scheduled a lineup of new attractions to entertain fairgoers and the best part is—they are FREE!

“The Colorado State Fair is dedicated to providing an affordable day of entertainment for the whole family and we are excited about the free attractions we have lined up this year,” said State Fair General Manager, Chris Wiseman. “We now offer a gate admission price for kids to better fit the family dollar. Plus, we also have a wide range of horse shows, livestock shows, small animal displays, a Fine Arts Exhibition, petting zoo, and buildings full of displays to entertain fairgoers. You get a lot of bang for your buck at the Colorado State Fair.”

New Gate Admission for Kids

Kids 4 & Under: Free

Kids 5 – 12: \$7 every day

Adults 13 & up: \$7 Mon – Thurs

\$10 Fri – Sun.

Free Attractions

Chicago Honey Bear Dancers

The "Chicago Honey Bear Dancers" will be holding dance workshops, Aug. 25 – 31, and will perform a family-oriented, fabulously choreographed variety song & dance show!

Comic Ventriloquist Joe Gandelman & Friends

Gandelman will amaze you with his vocal skills. Some shows include having five volunteers put on wigs and lip-sync to an oldie while Joe "throws" his voice. In some shows, he even talks about how to do ventriloquism.

LemurLand of Madagascar & Exotic Petting Zoo presented by Q102.7

This free attraction promotes species preservation through "EdZOOcation" in a live, interactive, fun-filled environment. Kids will love seeing ring-tailed lemurs live and up close as they learn about these amazing animals and their habitat.

One World Rainforest Experience presented by Q102.7

Combining education and entertainment, the daily shows feature more than 20 different animals, including tigers, cougars, monkeys, parrots and many others.

Pets Overboard!

Pets Overboard!! is an exciting and fun show for the whole family, featuring pets rescued from animal shelters. The cast of dogs, cats and rats will keep you laughing and entertained on their journey on board their pirate ship while they look for lost treasure.

Sandscapes Sand Castle

Back by popular demand--the talented artists from Sandscapes will turn 300 tons of sand into an amazing sculpture.

This is a short list of free attractions available to fairgoers. A complete list can be found by visiting www.coloradostatefair.com.

The Colorado State Fair runs from August 24 – September 3, 2012.

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The 2012 Colorado State Fair will mark the Fair's 140th year as Colorado's premier celebration of agriculture. The Fairgrounds provides nearly \$34 million in economic activity to Colorado throughout the year; \$29 million of that activity is driven by the annual State Fair event. In addition to showcasing Colorado agriculture, the annual event features one of the country's largest traveling carnivals, artwork, crafts, food competitions, thrilling rodeo action, a wide variety of food and merchandise booths and a Fiesta Day honoring Colorado's ties to the Hispanic culture.