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### **South Dakota State Fair Announces Jon Pardi to Play at 2021 State Fair**

HURON, S.D. –The South Dakota State Fair and Legend Seeds welcome Jon Pardi to the South Dakota State Fair grandstand on Sunday, September 5, 2021.

Jon Pardi's focus is making country music that will last through decades, bringing an old-school flare back to mainstream country. His music is filled with fiddle, twang, and steel guitar, bringing new ideas to country's old sound. Pardi has been noted for his "long-lasting mark on the genre" by Music Row and his impressive ability to carve out his own path creating "the kind of country music multiple generations came to know, and love" according to Variety magazine.

In 2017, Pardi took home the Country Music Association Award for New Artist of the Year and the Academy of Country Music Award for New Male Vocalist of the Year. He has since been nominated for three more awards, including Album of the Year for his albums *California Sunrise* and *Heartache Medication*. In 2020, Jon Pardi became the first country artist to have two #1 singles on country radio with "Heartache Medications" and "Ain't Always the Cowboy".

Ticket presales begin May 24 for Friends of the Fair VIPs, June 14 for backrest holders, and June 17 for Friends of the Fair. Tickets will go on sale to the general public June 21. For more information on presales and ticket sales go to [www.sdstatefair.com](http://www.sdstatefair.com).

The 2021 South Dakota State Fair runs Thursday, September 2, through Monday, September 6. Channel Seeds preview night will be Wednesday, September 1. For more information on State Fair events, contact the Fair office at 800-529-0900, visit [www.sdstatefair.com](http://www.sdstatefair.com) or find them on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.