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**BLAKE SHELTON LIVE AT THE STANISLAUS COUNTY FAIR**

Turlock, CA (February 4, 2010) – There will be more than roaring engines, carnival rides, and laughing children to listen to when Blake Shelton takes the stage at this year's Fair.

Quick-witted Blake Shelton is going to be sharing his soothing sounds and *Hillbilly Bone* on **Friday, July 23, 2010 at 8:30 p.m. at the Budweiser Variety Free Stage** hosted by **KAT Country 103** at this years' **Stanislaus County Fair**. All concerts are included with the price of admission.

"Blake Shelton is one of Country Music's most talented and recognized singers," said Adrenna Alkhas, spokesperson for the Stanislaus County Fair. "He is releasing his new album next month and his concert will give all of our guests a night to remember."

Shelton's impressive chart-topping successes in country music include nine No. 1 videos and five No. 1 hit singles. Shelton's newest single, "Hillbilly Bone", featuring country music pal Trace Adkins, is from his forthcoming album, *Hillbilly Bone*, which is set for release on Tuesday, March 2, 2010. "The last album or two I pushed myself as a singer," Shelton said on his website, "and I think I proved what I'm capable of. I'll always push myself, but with *Hillbilly Bone* it was more about finding songs with that attitude I want to convey and then just delivering them the best way I can. More than anything I'd like people to hear me sing and think, "That's good music."

Shelton was nominated in 2002 and 2003 for "Top New Male Vocalist" by the Academy of Country Music and for "Favorite New Country Artist" in 2002 by the

American Music Awards. The growing list of Shelton's striking achievements does not seem to be coming to a halt any time soon.

The Stanislaus County Fair's 2010 announced lineup on the **Budweiser Variety Free Stage** also includes The Beach Boys who are set to perform Tuesday, July 20.

The 2010 Stanislaus County Fair opens Friday, July 16 for a 10-day run. Discounted Fair admission tickets and unlimited ride wristbands will be on sale Saturday, May 1, 2010 or visit the Fair's website for complete ticket sales details at [www.stancofair.com](http://www.stancofair.com).

The 2010 fair theme is "Flavors of the Valley." The theme will highlight food and beverage products that are processed in the Central Valley. The 2010 Fair will also feature the highly-popular Rainforest Adventure, sponsored by Sky Trek Aviation, which debuted in 2009. Also planned for 2010 are 10-nights of free celebrity concerts included with admission, nightly metal-mashing motorsports, a total of five stages of live entertainment, upwards of 30,000 local exhibits and over 1,750 animals.

To receive future Fair concert announcements by text message, text the word "FAIR" to 47645. Fair enthusiasts can also follow how the 2010 Fair is developing at [twitter.com/stancofair](http://twitter.com/stancofair). In addition, become a fan of the Fair at [facebook.com/stancofair](http://facebook.com/stancofair). Fair news and event listings are also available at [myspace.com/stancofair](http://myspace.com/stancofair).

The mission of the Stanislaus County Fair is to provide a family and community oriented experience promoting agriculture, entertainment and technology. For more information about the Stanislaus County Fair log onto its website at [www.stancofair.com](http://www.stancofair.com).

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