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THREE-TIME GRAMMY WINNER DARIUS RUCKER TO HEADLINE THE BANK FIVE NINE MAIN STAGE AT 2025 WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

[Wisconsin State Fair](#) officials announced three-time GRAMMY Award winner, Darius Rucker, will bring his chart-topping hits to the newly-titled [Bank Five Nine Main Stage](#) on **Friday, Aug. 8, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.**

Rucker first achieved multi-Platinum status in the music industry as lead singer and rhythm guitarist of the GRAMMY Award-winning band Hootie & the Blowfish, who have sold more than 25 million albums worldwide including their Double Diamond-certified debut *Cracked Rear View*, which remains among the top 10 best-selling studio albums of all time.

Since releasing his first country album in 2008, Rucker has earned a whole new legion of fans with four No. 1 albums on the *Billboard* country chart plus 10 No. 1 singles at country radio and 11 Gold, Platinum, or multi-Platinum certified hits.

Rucker was inducted as a Grand Ole Opry member in 2012, and he won his third career GRAMMY Award in 2014 for Best Solo Country Performance with his Diamond-certified version of “Wagon Wheel,” one of the top five best-selling Country songs of all time. His latest album *Carolyn’s Boy*, featuring recent single “Never Been Over” with Jennifer Nettles, is available everywhere now as is his first book, a memoir titled *Life’s Too Short* released earlier this year. An opening act will be announced soon.

Tickets go on sale **Friday, November 22 at 10:00 a.m.** at [WiStateFair.com](#). All seating for this show is [reserved](#), and tickets will be \$65 - \$85. Each ticket includes admission to the 2025 Wisconsin State Fair for the day of the show when purchased prior to entering the State Fair Park.

Tickets are available for pre-sale with the Friends of the Fair membership benefitting the [Wisconsin State Fair Park Foundation](#). This non-profit organization helps support the State Fair and State Fair Park initiatives. Get access to the pre-sale and become a Friend of the Fair today by visiting [WSFPFoundation.org](#).

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About the Wisconsin State Fair

The 2025 Wisconsin State Fair, presented by UScellular®, takes place July 31 – August 10. The State Fair offers a unique experience to all who attend and is an exceptional value. Enjoy dozens of FREE entertainment stages, exciting rides and games in SpinCity, thousands of animals, endless family activities, events, contests, shopping vendors, and culinary delights. For more information, visit [WiStateFair.com](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [X](#).