

NEWS RELEASE

Free Chris Isaak Concert Tops Grand Opening Weekend Sept. 26-28 at The Arboretum of South Barrington

Line-Up of Other Free Entertainment Detailed

SOUTH BARRINGTON, Ill. (August 27, 2008) – Legendary platinum recording artist and Grammy nominee **Chris Isaak** will headline a weekend of free entertainment during the grand opening celebration of **The Arboretum of South Barrington** on Sept. 26-28. The festivities will kick-off with a Grand Opening Ceremony 10:00 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 26, in The Plaza in front of Gold Class Cinemas. The ceremony launches a full weekend of events including several live concerts, creation of a professional sandcastle sculpture, puppet people, kids' activities, appearances by Disney's "**Camp Rock**" celebrities and DreamWorks' "**Madagascar Escape 2 Africa**" characters, gift bags, a drawing for a \$1,000 shopping spree, and a daily Walk The Arboretum fundraiser to benefit the **Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation**. Weekend festivities culminate in a fireworks display on Sunday, Sept. 28, at 7:45 p.m. (*For full event details refer to the "Grand Opening Calendar" at the end of this release.*)

CONCERT DETAILS

The opening concert for the weekend will feature The **Blooze Brothers** on Friday, Sept. 26, at 7:00 p.m., with their 12-piece World Famous Show Band and a selection of Motown, R&B, and Blues classics.

The **Chris Isaak** concert will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27 on The Plaza Stage at The Arboretum. People can bring a chair for viewing comfort. Parking for the concert is available at the Sears Centre Arena, with continuous shuttle service from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Performing on Sunday, Sept. 28, at 2:00 p.m. is **The Ides of March**, best remembered for their 1970 smash hit "Vehicle," vocal harmonies and their trademark driving brass section.

Then from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., on Sunday, Sept. 28, **Nightboat** will entertain the public with jazz music.

Performing later that evening at 6:30 p.m., is **The Buckingham**s with harmony, spontaneity, humor and a mix of favorites from the pop and rock charts of the '60s and '70s.

CO-STARRING UNIQUE RETAIL

According to **Michael Jaffe**, principal of **The Jaffe Companies**, owner/developer of The Arboretum in partnership with RREEF, celebrations at the new 600,000 square-foot lifestyle center will be further embellished with each store's special promotions. The unique line-up of retailers include **L.L. Bean**, the Maine-based outdoor gear and apparel store that is opening its first Midwest store here; **Village Roadshow Gold Class Cinemas**, a new luxury cinema experience that is opening its first US location at The Arboretum; and **Pinstripes Bowling, Bocce & Bistro**, that is opening its second Chicago location.

Although open to the public on Oct. 3, Roadshow Gold Class Cinemas will participate with the other retail anchors in The Arboretum's grand opening festivities by offering guided tours every 45 minutes. During the tours, guests will be introduced to the state of the art cinema technology, luxury reclining seats, a contemporary lounge, and the cinema where fine wine and gourmet cuisine is served. Tours will also include a few surprises and impromptu tastings. Throughout the weekend, guests can register at Guest Services to win a luxurious private screening, complete with a three-course meal (restrictions apply).

Meanwhile, Pinstripes Bowling, Bocce & Bistro will feature wine tastings, flatbread sampling, and drawings for such items as an 8-person bowling (or bocce) party.

The Arboretum of South Barrington is located at 100 W. Higgins Road on the northeast corner of Higgins Road and Highway 59 near the I-90 interchange.

GRAND OPENING CALENDAR:

A full list of Grand Opening events at The Arboretum of South Barrington follows (subject to change without notice):

Friday, Sept. 26

9:30 am - 2:30 pm -- Puppet People
10:00 am -- Grand Opening Ceremony
10:00 am - 5:00 pm -- Sandcastle Artisan
10:00 am - 9:00 pm -- JDRF at The Arboretum
12:30 pm and 2:00 pm -- Aerialists and Pole Performers
1:00 pm -- Local Variety Singers
2:15 pm -- Local Variety Singers
7:00 pm -- Blooze Brothers In Concert

Saturday, Sept. 27

10:00 am - 2:00 pm -- Face Painters
10:00 am - 4:00 pm -- Kohls Children's Museum StoryBus
10:00 am - 4:00 pm -- Balloon Twisters
10:00 am - 5:00 pm -- Sandcastle Artisan; Puppet People
10:00 am - 9:00 pm -- JDRF at The Arboretum
11:00 am - Noon -- Storytime with Mother Nature
10:30 am - 12:30 pm -- Meet & Greet characters from "Madagascar Escape 2 Africa™"
12:30 pm - 6:00 pm -- Characters from "Madagascar Escape 2 Africa" roam The Arboretum for impromptu visits
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm -- Caricature Artists
1:30 pm -- Radio Disney Road Crew

2:30 pm - 4:30 pm -- Meet & Greet Stars from Disney's "Camp Rock"
7:00 pm -- Chris Isaak In Concert

Sunday, Sept. 28

10:00 am - 2:00 pm -- Face Painters
10:00 am - 4:00 pm -- Kohls Children's Museum StoryBus
10:00 am - 4:00 pm -- Balloon Twisters
10:00 am - 5:00 pm -- Sandcastle Artisan
10:00 am - 4:00 pm -- Characters from "Madagascar Escape 2 Africa" roam The Arboretum for impromptu visits
Noon - 5:00 pm -- JDRF at The Arboretum
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm -- Storytime with Mother Nature
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm -- Caricature Artist
2:00 pm - 3:15 pm -- The Ides of March In Concert
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm -- Nightboat In Concert
6:30 pm - 7:45 pm -- The Buckinghams In Concert
7:45 pm - 8:00 pm -- Fireworks Finale

RETAILERS OPEN SEPT. 26-28

Retailers open during grand opening weekend at The Arboretum of South Barrington include the following (subject to change without notice):

Apparel

Aeropostale, American Eagle Outfitters, Ann Taylor LOFT, Chico's, Claire's, Coldwater Creek, DSW Shoes, Francesca's Collections, Jos. A. Bank, Justice just for girls!, Soft Surroundings, Victoria's Secret

Electronics

Circuit City

Entertainment

Village Roadshow Gold Class Cinemas (open-house tours for grand opening weekend)

Jewelry/Optical

Azar Jewelers, Glam Optique

Home Furnishings

Arhaus Furniture, Sur La Table

Restaurants & Specialty Food

Noodles & Company, Panera Bread, Pinstripes Bowling, Bocce & Bistro, Potbelly Sandwich Works

Services

American Chartered Bank, Anthony Vince Nail Spa, Aveda/Spa Bleü

Specialty Stores

Bath & Body Works, CVS Pharmacy, Kriser's, L.L. Bean, Swoozie's, Yankee Candle

RETAILERS OPENING SOON

Retailers opening soon after the grand opening include the following:

Apparel

MW Tux

Electronics

T-Mobile

Entertainment

Village Roadshow Gold Class Cinemas

Home Furnishings

Toms-Price Home Furnishings

Restaurants & Specialty Food

Anna Shea Chocolates & Lounge, Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant, L'Eiffel Bistrot & Creperie, Nozumi, Ruth's Chris Steakhouse

Services

Crème de la Crème, Facelogic, KidSnips, XSport Fitness

Specialty Stores

Parfum de Couture

The Arboretum of South Barrington is a 600,000 square-foot lifestyle center under development in Chicago's affluent northwest suburbs that opens in September 2008. The open-air center, which broke ground in May 2007, is named for the lush treescapes and gardens of its landscape, and for the large tree farm that formerly stood on the site. Among retailers at The Arboretum of South Barrington are three unique anchors, including LL.Bean's first Midwest outdoor gear and apparel store; the country's first Village Roadshow Gold Class Cinemas, a luxury cinema experience and new way to go to the movies; and Pinstripes, Chicago's own bowling, bocce and bistro concept. An upscale mix of fashion apparel brands, home furnishings, restaurants and other retailers will occupy spaces set amidst fountains, pathways and plazas -- all less than a mile from the four-way interchange at I-90 (the region's major transportation artery), at the highly coveted intersection of Illinois Routes 59 and 72. The center is a joint venture between The Jaffe Companies in Northbrook, Ill., and RREEF Alternative Investments, based in New York.

The Jaffe Companies, owner and developer of The Arboretum of South Barrington, has been developing successful shopping centers and mixed-use projects for nearly three decades across the US, primarily in the Midwest. Firm principal Michael Jaffe has been involved in several notable projects, including Huebner Oaks Center, a 400,000-square-foot lifestyle center in San Antonio, Texas; Geneva Commons, a 450,000-square-foot lifestyle center in Geneva, Ill; and The Arboretum Shopping Center in Austin, Texas.

RREEF Alternative Investments, the financial partner in developing The Arboretum of South Barrington, is the global alternative investment management business of Deutsche Bank's Asset Management division. RREEF Alternative Investments consists of three businesses: Real Estate, Infrastructure and Private Equity. Headquartered in New York, RREEF Alternative Investments employs more than 1,400 investment professionals in 17 cities around the world to help investors meet a wide range of objectives -- from diversification, to preservation of capital, to long-term performance. Named one of the world's largest alternative investments managers in Global Investor/Watson Wyatt's Alternative Survey, June 2008, RREEF has €55.2/\$87.0 billion in assets under management worldwide as of June 30th, 2008. For more information, visit <http://www.rreef.com/>.

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