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Wild Adventures Concert Series Energized with Soulfest 2009 and a Bluegrass Ambassador *Fred Hammond, Tye Tribbett, Luther Barnes and Ricky Skaggs*

Valdosta, GA- Three top Gospel performers and a bluegrass mega star are scheduled to visit the park for Soulfest 2009 and a night of bluegrass. Fred Hammond, Tye Tribbett, and Luther Barnes will perform during a soulful packed day of music, Saturday, July 11, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Ricky Skaggs is adding bluegrass to the park season with his performance Saturday, September 19 at 8:00 p.m. Reserved seats for Soulfest 2009 will go on sale Wednesday, June 17 for \$10.

Fred Hammond is a world famous songwriter, musical arranger, producer, bassist and vocalist. Few gospel artists can boast of the sales, radio airplay and concerts that Hammond has achieved over the course of his career, selling over 8 million albums and maintaining spots on Billboard's Gospel Chart top 10. His release, Free to Worship, bombarded Billboard's #1 position on the Gospel Charts, and was hailed as one of the year's best-selling gospel albums for 2006. Hammond will perform Saturday, July 11 at 8:00 p.m.

Gospel performer **Tye Tribbett** & his choir, Greater Anointing, broke into the popular mainstream in 1998 and have gone on to perform with some of the biggest names in music. Tribbett's first album under Columbia Records, Victory Live! entered the Billboard Top Gospel Albums chart at #1, generated the #1 Gospel single, "Victory," and earned two Stellar Awards and three Grammy nominations. Not only is the performance soulful and moving, but also entertaining. Tribbett will perform Saturday, July 11 at 6:15 p.m.

Through years of performing with The Sunset Jubilaires, The Red Budd Gospel Choir and the popular Barnes Family aggregation, **Luther Barnes**, in his own quiet, unassuming manner, has become one of Gospel music's premier male vocalists. He is a visionary who holds up the triumphant heritage of Gospel music, as evident by his moving performances. Barnes will perform Saturday, July 11 at 4:30 p.m.

Ricky Skaggs has 38 years of experience as a professional musician and is known as bluegrass music's official ambassador. This twelve-time Grammy Award winner is undoubtedly the master of all things bluegrass. Skaggs has crossed into Country and even Children's music, but he is well on the way to showing the world that "country rocks, but bluegrass rules!" Skaggs will perform Saturday, September 19 at 8:00 p.m.

Reserved seats for Soulfest 2009 will be available for purchase Wednesday, June 17 for \$10. Reserved seating for Ricky Skaggs, and all other announced concerts, will be available for purchase at a later date. Purchase reserved tickets online, by phone or at the park. Reserved seats do not include park admission.

The park's concert series is filling up fast and guests can enjoy great performances FREE with a season pass or daily park admission! Other concerts at the park include: Chris Tomlin, July 18; The Country Rat Pack, July 23; and Bret Michaels, October 10.

Purchase a 2009 Season Passport and experience all star performances all year long! 2009 Regular and Gold Passports are available for purchase online, by phone or at the park. Wild Adventures Season Passports are \$69 + tax and include unlimited park admission for the year. Upgrade to a Gold Passport for \$20 more (total of \$89 + tax) to enjoy free parking, Adventure Quest miniature golf and Adventure Raceway go-karts through January 2, 2010.

For more information about Wild Adventures Water and Theme Park and the concert season, please visit our website at www.wildadventures.com or call 229-219-7080.

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Note: Pictures of Fred Hammond, Tye Tribbett, Luther Barnes, and Ricky Skaggs attached.