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## South Dakota State Fair Bringing Comedy to the Grandstands

HURON, S.D. –The South Dakota State Fair is pleased to announce Gabriel "Fluffy" Iglesias will perform at the SD State Fair Grandstand on Friday, September 1.

"Fluffy" is one of America's most successful stand-up comedians performing to sold-out concerts around the world. He is also one of the most watched comedians on YouTube with nearly a billion views. Iglesias was included in The Hollywood Reporter's "Top 40 Comedy Players" issue alongside comedy giants Jerry Seinfeld, Chris Rock and Lorne Michaels.

You can find Gabriel starring in his Netflix original comedy series *Mr. Iglesias* and catch his live performance comedy specials on Netflix, filmed in front of sold-out audiences in the Houston Toyota Center and Los Angeles' Dodger Stadium.

"It's been many years since we've had a comedian at the State Fair," said SD State Fairgrounds Manager, Peggy Besch. "It's something we've been looking at for quite some time and we are excited to bring comedy to the grandstands with such a big name. We can't wait to have the grandstand roar with laughter!"

Iglesias joins Lady A with Rowan Grace as part of the South Dakota State Fair grandstand line-up. Stay tuned for more announcements coming soon.

Presales for this family friendly show begin on June 5 for those eligible for the Friends of the Fair VIP table presale, followed by backrest holder and Friends of the Fair ticket presales. General public ticket sales will begin June 20.

Friends of the Fair is a program through the State Fair Foundation offering a variety of benefits including early bird access to State Fair VIP table sales, presale access to grandstand reserved seating and standing room tickets for the State Fair, complimentary daily gate admission passes, and recognition on the State Fair website.

The backrest program is an advertising program allowing businesses or individuals to put signage on a backrest in the grandstands. Backrest signage holders can purchase South Dakota State Fair grandstand ticket for their corresponding signage area prior to

general and Friends of the Fair ticket sales. Presale information can be found on www.sdstatefair.com.

The 2023 South Dakota State Fair will run from Thursday, August 31, through Monday, September 4. Channel Seeds Preview night will be Wednesday, August 30. For more information on State Fair events, contact the Fair office at 800-529-0900, visit <a href="https://www.sdstatefair.com">www.sdstatefair.com</a> or find them on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="mailto:Instagram">Instagram</a> and <a href="mailto:Twitter">Twitter</a>.