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Elitch Gardens Adds New Live Entertainment and Extends Free Concert Series

Three new shows and 14 concerts included with admission

2009 Season Starts April 25th

Denver --- Elitch Gardens Theme Park is setting the stage, you be the star! Living up to the long-standing tradition of presenting world-class live entertainment, Elitch Gardens will be bringing its guests new live stage shows that are sure to please every member of the family. In its second season, the Summer Concert Series will be extended to include Saturdays in May, making it fourteen Saturdays of rockin' good times! The 2009 season at Elitch Gardens will make 'staycations' into a summer long event, providing affordable family fun right in Denver's own backyard!

Bob the Builder, Live at Elitch Gardens!

New in Startoon Studios! Join *Bob the Builder* and two members of his *Can-Do* crew as they call on the assistance of the builders in the audience for a very special project! With a little singing, dancing, building, and a whole lot of fun, this team is sure to get the job done! Can we build it? YES WE CAN! Show runs multiple times daily May 2nd-August 16th.

Sea Lion Splash

New in the Elitch Arena! Get into the silly, splashy fun with Sea Lion Splash. Watch as these cute and charismatic creatures splish splash their way into your hearts. Learn about sea lions while enjoying their crazy antics in this interactive live show that crowds of all ages are sure to love! Show runs multiple times daily Monday-Friday May 24th- August 23rd.

Extended Concert Series

Not only is Elitch Gardens bringing exciting, live stage entertainment to Colorado, but we are extending our Summer Concert Series by adding four more concerts. Join us Saturdays May 9th through August 1st at 7 p.m. in the Elitch Arena as we showcase stars like the Charlie Daniels Band May 9th, Lee Ann Womack June 20th and Raven Symone July 25th.

Guests can purchase season passes for as low as \$54.99 when purchasing four or more or \$59.99 individually until June 15th when prices will return to their original pricing. A season pass provides unlimited visits all season long and free admission to the entire summer concert series.

"We're definitely giving our guests even more bang for their buck in 2009," said John Riggelman, Elitch Gardens' general manager. "We want to provide an escape for our

guests by making every visit to the park feel like a new and different experience, and I believe our new entertainment line-up accomplishes that goal.”

Located in the heart of downtown Denver, Elitch Gardens offers two parks in one – a family theme park and the Island Kingdom Water Park as well as award-winning shows. With over 65 attractions, Elitch Gardens continues to be the top destination in a five-state region for family fun and entertainment. Elitch Gardens is the oldest existing theme park west of the Mississippi and will celebrate its 119th season in 2009.

Elitch Gardens opens for the 2009 season Saturday, April 25. Island Kingdom Water Park opens May 16. For park hours and more information, visit elitchgardens.com or call 303.595.4FUN.

Summer Concert Series Schedule

May 9th – Charlie Daniels Band
May 16th – Grand Funk Railroad
May 23rd – Conjunto Atardecer
May 30 – Little Big Town
June 6 – Relient K
June 13 – TBD
June 20 – Lee Ann Womack
June 27 – Loverboy
July 4 – Sara Evans
July 11 – La Fiesta de Elitch Gardens
July 12 – La Fiesta de Elitch Gardens
July 18 – The Veronicas
July 25 – Raven Symone
Aug. 1 - TBD

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