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Lee Brice performing at The Evergreen State Fair

Where: Evergreen State Fair, Grandstand Stage #205, Monroe, WA
When: 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2015 (doors open at 6 p.m.)
Ticket prices: \$37-\$55, includes Fair Gate Admission
Tickets sold via: www.EvergreenFair.org;
Public on sale: 10 a.m., April 24; On-sale link: <http://bit.ly/1askDOc>

Two Nights/Two Shows/One Seat Package: Purchase a Lee Brice concert ticket and a Jerrod Niemann concert ticket (September 3rd) for the same seat and save \$10+. Package link: <http://bit.ly/1yotE6k>

Hits: "Love Like Crazy", "I Drive Your Truck", "I Don't Dance", "Drinking Class" and more!

Lee Brice is a craftsman, the kind whose boundless desire to hone his skills and relentless pursuit of perfection are matched only by his humility about the entire process. His new album, *I Don't Dance*, is a showcase for his painstaking approach to writing and recording, with his distinctive fingerprints clearly emblazoned on every element of the album. While Brice is now known as reliable chart-topping Nashville hit-maker whose 2014 performance on the Academy of Country Music telecast (where he picked up the trophy for "Song of the Year"), there was a time when he was only recognized for his work behind the scenes.

"I had success as a writer before I had success as an artist," says Brice, "so there's a misconception that I was a songwriter first and then started to sing my own songs later. But all along, I've really always been writing for myself. When I started writing songs at ten years old, it was because I wanted to sing them, and when I came to Nashville, I came to be a songwriter and a singer. It's all one thing to me."

"More Than A Memory" was a very personal song for me," he says of his breakout 2007 track. "I was thinking about keeping it for myself when Garth Brooks called, and that changed the whole dynamic." Brooks' recording of the track was the first single in the history of the Billboard Hot Country Songs Chart to debut at #1. Lee's stock skyrocketed in Nashville, and that same year, he signed with Curb Records and began laying the groundwork for his inexorable rise as a solo artist.

He released his debut album, *Love Like Crazy*, in 2009. The title track reached #3 on the Billboard Country chart and set a record as the longest-charting song in that chart's history. In 2012, he topped his own success with *Hard 2 Love*, an album that went Gold and featured three #1 Country singles, including "I Drive Your Truck," which won Song of the Year at both the CMA and ACM Awards. The record earned raves from NPR to Country Weekly and the New York Times hailed him as "a sensitive macho man," a compliment that perfectly encapsulates both sides of Brice's persona."

Artist's website: www.leebrice.com

Purchase Tickets: Online www.EvergreenFair.org or by phone 1-800-514-3849 ext. 2 (service fees apply). No service fee if purchased in person at the Fair Administration Office, 10am-4pm (Mon-Fri, excluding holidays) or during the Fair.

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