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SKYLIFT PARK

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Fireflies, Flowers and Music Celebrate Spring at Gatlinburg's SkyLift Park

Spring celebrations continue with live music and colorful photo ops

GATLINBURG, Tenn. — From now through June 30, Gatlinburg SkyLift Park will bring all the colors of spring to its SkyDeck and trails, with live music every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening.

Two Grammy-nominated musicians will perform from 6-9 p.m. on the SkyDeck. Respected Americana, folk and bluegrass guitarist and songwriter Richard Bennett will perform from 6-9 p.m. every Wednesday and Friday. On Mondays, he will be joined by Shawn Lane from Blue Highway.

In addition to enjoying live music, visitors can take advantage of lighted flower photo stations and firefly lighting along the SkyTrail, to make the springtime mountain views even more magical, day and night.

"Every season offers its own form of beauty in Gatlinburg, and Spring brings no exception," said Marcus Watson, Administrative Director of SkyLift Park. "Guests to the SkyLift Park can enjoy the very best Smoky Mountain Spring views while enjoying live music and twinkling firefly-themed lights at night. There's nothing like Spring on the SkyBridge!"

Richard Bennett began touring at age 15, first with former Flatt & Scruggs fiddle player Benny Sims. He later joined the legendary band J.D. Crowe & the New South, playing on their "Flashback" album, which was nominated for two Grammys. He later toured with Bobby Osbourne, Mike Auldridge and Jimmy Gaudreau. He has released several solo and trio albums that have garnered airplay in multiple genres.

With Blues Highway, Shawn Lane is a three-time Grammy nominee and 28-time winner of International Bluegrass Musician Association (IBMA) awards. He is a respected vocalist, songwriter and instrumentalist, playing fiddle, mandolin and guitar. He was nominated as 2015 IBMA Songwriter of the year. He played with Ricky Scaggs & Kentucky Thunder as well as Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver before co-founding Blue Highway in 1994.

Tickets are available online at gatlinburgskylift.com. Each ticket is valid for an entire day at the SkyPark, providing the opportunity for exciting and different experiences during the day and after dark. Musical entertainment and the Fireflies and Flowers event is included in the ticket price.

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About Gatlinburg SkyLift Park

Founded in 1954, Gatlinburg SkyLift Park offers stunning views and unforgettable experiences in East Tennessee. The Gatlinburg SkyLift carries guests from the heart of town up five hundred vertical feet to the top of Crockett Mountain. Renovated in 2019, Gatlinburg SkyLift Park now offers a SkyDeck observation area and SkyBridge—the longest pedestrian cable bridge in North America—to the millions of people who visit the Great Smoky Mountains National Park each year. A new SkyTrail and four-story Tulip Tower add other unique viewing options. For more information, visit www.gatlinburgskylift.com.