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## Mark “The Chinaman” Britten at FireLake Grand

Shawnee, OK- From *Evening at the Improv*, *Friday Night*, and the *Bob & Tom Show*, Mark “The Chinaman” Britten will bring his cutting edge comedy to FireLake Grand on Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM for Jokers Wild.

“In case you are wondering about my nationality by looking at me it’s hard to tell, my mom is Chinese which makes me half Chinese-- from the waist up,” quipped Mark Britten. Although Mark’s mother was raised in the Philippines, she raised her son to be all-American. Mark’s dad was a U.S. Marine in the Philippines when he met his future wife. They settled in Arlington, TX.

Mark uses this “dysfunctional background” and ethnic stereotypes in his comedy sketches. His repertoire also includes voice impersonations of celebrities and rock stars. Fan favorite impersonations include Garth Brooks, Dave Matthews, Stephen Tyler, AC/DC, Matchbox 20, the B-52’s and his most requested impersonation, Arnold Schwarzenegger.

“The Chinaman” often uses his family for his comedy inspiration. “The other day I was [at home] walking my uncle to his car,” explained Britten. “A lady’s walking her yapping dog, and he’s all, ‘Be careful, I eat dog.’ She freaked out. My family’s funny like that.”

Britten credits Eddie Murphy as his biggest influence on his comedic styling and KISS with establishing his look. When “The Chinaman” takes the stage it is with a black-bearded Fu Manchu, black polished fingernails, and black Chinese letters tattooed on his forearms. He is like a comic book hero come to life. This is one show you won’t want to miss!

Get your tickets by calling 405-96 GRAND, or by logging on to [www.firelakegrand.com](http://www.firelakegrand.com). Tickets are \$10.

Presented with pride by the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, FireLake Grand Casino features more than 1,800 Vegas-style games in the beautiful 125,000 square foot facility, from the hottest slot machines to some 100 table games. As all games are designated “Class 3, Oklahoma Compact,” six percent of FireLake Grand’s net gaming revenue goes to support the state’s public education. Dining options range from sizzling steaks at Embers Steakhouse to the exciting Grandstand Sports Grille and The Grand Buffet. The Casino is conveniently located just east of Oklahoma City on Interstate 40 at Exit 178.

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