
Etta May and The Southern Fried Chicks at FireLake Grand

Shawnee, OK- When the Southern Fried Chicks take the stage at FireLake Grand on November 19th, the fun begins! Three different Southern women, all top headliners, will share their hilarious views of life, love, and the pursuit of happiness.

“The Southern Fried Chicks’ special brand of humor is sure to leave the audience holding their sides and wiping their eyes,” declared Brad Peltier, Director of Marketing for FireLake Grand Casino. “Their comedy hits a mark that everyone can relate to.”

When the little lady from Tennessee takes the stage, she makes one thing perfectly clear, “I am NOT a southern belle...unless I need to be.” Karen Mills spent 15 years perfecting her skills on the comedy circuit. Finding humor in everyday life, her comedy is smart, original, and just plain funny. She has written for The Rosie O’Donnell Show, worked with Jon Stewart, and now tours with the Southern Fried Chicks.

Just when you think you can catch your breath from laughing, Sonya White takes the stage. Now this gal has a winning combination of southern charm and big city smarts. Born in Virginia, she is southern in her soul, but living in Chicago has given her a whole new perspective. She is a master of sound effects and imitates some of her favorite celebrities and pets. Sonya has appeared on *Last Comic Standing* and *Star Search*. She is also the comedienne for Verizon Wireless on their “Fun and Games” mobile accessories option.

Then, as soon as Etta May, the “Queen of Southern Sass,” takes the stage, the hilarity begins! Growing up with nine older brothers in Bald Knob, Arkansas, Etta May had to be tough. She has been described as “Minnie Pearl with a migraine.” While attending a kegger at a friend’s house, she met Delbert, and it was love at first sight. They have three boys and a girl. She claims that she just waits for her family “to do something stupid” and then uses it for her comedy routine.

Etta May discovered that she had the gift of comedy during a bingo game at the Catholic church. When the ball ejector got stuck, she started telling stories to fill up the time, and the rest is history. Etta May has been on Comic Strip Live, MTV, Oprah, CMT’s Comedy Stage, and is a regular on the Bob & Tom radio show.

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, or for a drink in a relaxing atmosphere meet friends at the all new outdoor Fireside Lounge. The Casino is conveniently located just east of Oklahoma City on Interstate 40 at Exit 178.

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