

CAIN to open 12th Beaver Dam Amphitheater season

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Gospel Music Association Dove Award-winning contemporary Christian music trio CAIN will serve as the season opener next year when Beaver Dam Amphitheater kicks off its 12th year.

The show — the first of the 2026 First United Bank & Trust Concert Series — will take place April 24 and will feature Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter Andrew Ripp as the special guest.

“Life goes by in the blink of an eye, and here we are 12 years into the journey of the DAM. We’re thrilled and thankful — full of gratitude,” said Heath Eric, chief executive officer of The Eric Group and promoter for the event. “... We opted to kick off our 12th season a week earlier than we typically have, so we’re going to start up that last weekend of April and hopefully welcome in a ton of folks from all across the region as we traditionally have seen for these contemporary Christian music events in early spring.”

Growing up with a pastor father in Hartselle, Alabama, CAIN — made up of brother Logan Cain and sisters Taylor Cain Matz and Madison Cain Johnson — gained its first exposure in 2012 after winning a contest that led the trio to open for Grammy-nominated, Nashville-based musician Dave Barnes.

Following the siblings’ relocation to Nashville, CAIN gained traction with the debut of the group’s independent self-titled extended play in 2015. The group released another self-titled EP five years later after signing with Sony Music



Photo submitted.

Contemporary Christian music trio CAIN — consisting of siblings Logan Cain, from left, Taylor Cain Matz and Madison Cain Johnson — will serve as the headliner of the opening concert for the 12th performance season at Beaver Dam Amphitheater on April 24.

Entertainment’s Christian music-oriented Provident Label Group.

The single “Rise Up (Lazarus)” became the band’s first gold-certified release and was included on the group’s debut studio album, “Rise Up,” in 2021. The album was nominated for two GMA Dove Awards: Pop/Contemporary Album of the Year and Recorded Music Packaging of the Year.

The record also gave the band its first top-10 entry on the Top Christian Albums chart, peaking at No. 6, along with three additional top-five hits: “I’m So Blessed,” “The Commission” and “Yes He Can.”

CAIN has since continued to stay busy, headlining tours and performing with the likes of Casting Crowns, TobyMac and Chris Tomlin, while also venturing into other terri-

tory such as hosting the 2023 K-LOVE Fan Awards and starring in Trinity Broadcasting Network’s documentary television series “Chasing CAIN.” The latter earned the band a Dove Award for TV Series of the Year, in addition to the trio receiving the award for Recorded Music Packaging of the Year for the 2023 album “Jesus Music.”

Eric previously worked with CAIN when the group headlined the free 2024 Praise in the Park festival in Madisonville, performing in front of about 15,000 people, and was keen on bringing the band back to the region for a “hard ticket play.”

“It’s the biggest Christian music event in our region; and not only was it exceptional and we had that many people, but we were incredibly impressed

with (CAIN’s) show, their organization — their lighting, their set, the siblings, their harmonies. It’s an amazing show,” he said. “... The routing

was good (this time around). We like working with them. They’re big in that CCM genre and music space, so it all just came together”

Additionally, Eric said CAIN’s style of music fits the mold of what the venue aims to present at the beginning of the performance season.

“We traditionally have tried to present a contemporary Christian music concert either as the first concert of the year or close (to), and we’ve done that for the last several seasons,” he said. “(CAIN) is a phenomenal group ... (and they put on) an incredible show from top to bottom”

“... They are 100% a contemporary Christian music band, but they hit elements of rock, funk and country,” Eric continued. “It is a show for all ages; really just drills down to a top-tier level of professionalism.”

With this concert, and the ninth “Rock the DAM” concert slated for Aug. 1 already announced for next year, Eric said the upcoming season will be one music fans will not want

to miss.

“... It will, by far, be the biggest and most exciting season we’ve ever had,” Eric said. “I would encourage folks to save their concert ticket dollars because as we continue to roll these things out, it’s going to be a special season.”

Tickets are on sale now.

There is an eight-ticket limit per transaction. Those needing to purchase additional tickets can contact Eric at heath@theericgroup.com

For information about the show, tickets, hotel and shuttle packages and more, visit beaverdamamp.com or facebook.com/BeaverDamAmp.

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