

Grand Junction Happenings

Riverfront Concert Series in Western Colorado Firefall performs August 12

by Sharon Sullivan

The 1970s legacy band Firefall will perform outdoors at the James M. Robb Colorado River State Park in Fruita, Colorado on Friday, August 12.



“They’re really good; their sound is very much the vibe of the 70s,” said Ron Wilson, of Sandstone Entertainment. “Firefall came out of that scene in the mid-70s; they’re loaded with that feel. They influenced a generation of country rockers.”

Firefall was inducted into the Colorado Music Hall of Fame in 2015. The band includes three original members – Jock Bartley, David Muse, and Mark Andes – as well as longtime drummer Sandy Ficca, and Nashville guitarist and vocalist Gary Jones.

During their four-decade career, Firefall has produced three gold albums, two Platinum albums, 11 chart-topping singles, including “You Are the Women,” and “Just Remember I Love You.”



Firefall toured the world during the 1970s, and shared stages with such bands as Fleetwood Mac, The Band, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Kenny Loggins, The Allman Brothers, Marshall Tucker Band, and many more. Currently, Firefall often performs with Atlanta Rhythm Section, Orleans, Pure Prairie League, America, and other seventies bands.

“Firefall had a 10-year period where they made their mark,” with huge hit singles – “which is pretty strong,” Wilson said.

The band put out a new album – COMET – in December 2020, the first since their 1998 release of Messenger. Americansongwriter.com describes the new record as “one-half legacy and one-half brand-new renditions of Firefall with nuances of Americana, rock, pop, and country.”



The performance is the first of this year’s Riverfront Concert Series, which raises money for trail building and maintenance along the Colorado Riverfront Trail. The Doubtful Brothers, a local Grand Junction band, will open the show at 7 p.m.

Concertgoers are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket for the ground. While you’re allowed to bring in food, there will be food trucks on the premises selling both barbeque and Mexican cuisine. Proceeds from the sale of food, beer and wine – as well as donations collected onsite – go to the Colorado Riverfront Foundation. Enstrom’s ice cream will also be for sale. No outside beverages are allowed.

Tickets are just \$7 and available at www.universe.com/river. Children 5 and under are free. For more information contact Sandstone Concerts at 970-243-TIXS. VIP tickets gets you select seating and expedited beer and wine purchases. The park is located at 595 Hwy 340. Limited, reserved camping sites are available at the park.

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