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Q Casino Makes First of Three Announcements for the Back Waters Stage Summer Lineup!

Dubuque, IA - The Back Waters Stage, Presented by American Trust, returns this summer on Schmitt Island!

Q Casino is proud to announce the return of our outdoor summer experience, **Back Waters Stage**. This summer, both national acts and local favorites will take the stage through community events and Q Casino hosted concerts. All ages are welcome to experience the excitement at this outdoor venue. Community members can expect to enjoy a wide range of concerts from all genres from modern country to rock.

The Back Waters Stage will be sponsoring two great community festivals this summer. **Kickoff to Summer** will be first event of the summer with a free show on **Friday, May 24** featuring BadFish, the LoveMonkeys and Crown Jewels: a tribute to Queen. **Summer's Last Blast 20** is celebrating 20 years of raising money for area charities including FFA, the Boy Scouts, Storybook Children's Zoo and Sertoma. Summer's Last Blast features the area's best entertainment with free admission on **Friday, August 23 and Saturday, August 24**.

The Back Waters Stage Summer Concert Series starts off with the return of **LOCASH on Saturday, May 25**. LOCASH made an appearance on the Back Waters Stage with Kip Moore last June to a record crowd. LOCASH's top hits include: "I Love This Life" and "I Know Somebody" along with their newest hit "Feels Like a Party" climbing the charts. The duo was nominated for New Vocal Duo or Group of the Year as well as Vocal Duo of the Year on the 2018 ACM Awards.

On **Saturday, June 29**, the Back Waters Stage welcomes **Sawyer Brown**. Sawyer Brown's Seven #1 singles include "Some Girls Do," "Thank God For You," "Six Days on the Road" and "The Race is On." Sawyer Brown sold out the Q Showroom in April, 2018.

The entertainment continues with when country superstar **Kane Brown** takes the stage **on Sunday, July 14**. Kane Brown has had multiple Top 20 hits including #1 hits "What Ifs" and "Lose It" as well as #2 "Heaven." His latest album, *Experiment*, peaked at #1 with current single, "Good As You." Brown's headlined over 100 sold out shows in his career, including two performances in the Q Showroom. Kane Brown has been nominated for multiple ACM, Billboard, CMT and ACM Awards. He won three American Music Awards in 2018 for Favorite Country Male Artist, Favorite Country Album and Favorite Country Song.

The party doesn't always end after the show. Join us in the Q Showroom for the American Trust After Party with free entertainment! Guests can expect to experience favorite local bands or additional sets from the opening acts. Guests must be 21 to attend the American Trust After Parties.

Guests are sure to enjoy a summer of entertainment on the Back Waters Stage at Q Casino on Schmitt Island! Children 10 and under receive free general admission. All guests in the Turpin Dodge VIP area will require a ticket.

General admission tickets will be available as well as **Turpin Dodge VIP** tickets. Select shows will have **stage-front Party Pit** tickets available for purchase as well. Turpin Dodge VIP and Party Pit tickets will include a free drink. Tickets for these Back Waters events will go on sale Friday, February 8 at 10am. Ticket prices will increase three weeks prior to the show. Tickets can be purchased online at QCasinoAndHotel.com or at Guest Services inside at Q Casino.

Q Casino is an entertainment and gaming complex located in Dubuque, Iowa. The casino is owned by the City of Dubuque, and operated by the non-profit Dubuque Racing Association, its license holder.

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