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Country, Americana And Roots Stars Confirmed For The Long Road Festival 2019

***Josh Turner** (first ever UK performance), **Kip Moore**, **Asleep At The Wheel**, **John Paul White**, **Eric Paslay**, **Charley Crockett**, **Morgan Evans** and **Rhiannon Giddens** Amongst First Wave Of Acts Announced For The Long Road Festival 2019*

Country, Roots & Americana festival to return to Stanford Hall in Leicestershire from September 6th – 8th 2019



Following the success of the first edition of The Long Road festival, which saw performances by over 70 artists from across the Country, Roots and Americana spectrum, the immersive 3-day music and lifestyle event will return to Stanford Hall in Leicestershire this summer.

Running from Friday 6th to Sunday 8th September, the festival has announced the first wave of acts confirmed to perform at this year's event including its two headliners, superstar Country singers **Kip Moore** and **Josh Turner**. Since the release of his breakthrough hit "Somethin' 'Bout a Truck", now widely regarded as one of the all-time classic Country songs, Kip Moore has positioned himself at the forefront of the genre, releasing a string of best-selling albums. Josh Turner, who makes his first ever UK appearance, is one of Country music's most in-demand artists having sold over 12 million albums across the course of an illustrious career. Moore and Turner will headline the Rhinestone Stage on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th respectively.

The festival will also present shows from the likes of nine-time Grammy-winning **Asleep At The Wheel**, who make their first full-band appearance in the UK for over 10 years, former Civil Wars member **John Paul White**, soulful Texan troubadour **Charley Crockett**, up-and-coming US five-piece **LANCO**, Nashville-based Country-Soul singer **Sam Lewis**, Americana duo **The Cactus Blossoms**, rising Country star **Lainey Wilson**, Southern Rock quartet **The Steel Woods**, LA-based vintage alt-Country singer **Leslie Stevens** and Grammy-winning singer-songwriter **Rhiannon Giddens**, as well as some of the leading UK Country, Americana and Roots artists including **The Hanging Stars**, **CoCo** and **The Butterfields**, **Jake Morrell** and **Peter Bruntnell**.

More acts will be announced in due course.

Josh Turner:

"Playing The Long Road Festival has been a long time coming as my fans in the UK have been practically begging me to cross the big pond for years! I'm excited to finally be able to go over and play for my loyal, and patient, fans!"

The Long Road presents one of the UK's largest, most authentic celebrations of Country, Americana and Roots music featuring five stages of live performances and a wide range of additional offerings including songwriters' rounds, a wellness area, a classic American car display, traditional Southern-style food stalls, heritage crafts and workshops, and dedicated kids' area. The festival's varied live performance spaces range from its Rhinestone County main stage, to the much-talked-about Honky Tonk Bar and Front Porch; intimate, immersive spaces that transport their audiences straight into an authentic, Nashville-inspired world.

The festival will also revisit its partnerships with **The Birthplace of Country Music**, which showcases the role that Bristol, Tennessee and Bristol, Virginia played in the birth and development of Country music, **The Bluegrass Situation** (BGS), an online music magazine and curator promoting the continued growth of Bluegrass, Roots, progressive Folk Rock, Americana music and culture, **The Americana Music Association UK**, and independent UK label **Loose Records**. These organisations will bring artists to the festival to showcase the broad array of talent on offer across the global Country, Americana and Roots music scene.

The Long Road's Creative Director, Baylen Leonard:

"I couldn't be more excited to share what we have in store for year two of The Long Road. After such a warm embrace by Country and Americana fans in year one, we got straight to work on the line-up and experience for this year and it promises to be even better. Top notch artists, hands on experiences, and great food, all in a world created just for music fans really is something special. I can't wait for the gates to open."

The full line-up to date is as follows:

Rhinestone County

Kip Moore
Josh Turner
LANCO
Morgan Evans
Eric Paslay
Thompson Square
Lainey Wilson
Jaime Wyatt
Liv Austen

Crossroad County

Rhiannon Giddens with Francesco Turrisi
Asleep at the Wheel
John Paul White
Sam Outlaw
The Steel Woods
Sunny Ozell
CoCo and The Butterfields
The Cactus Blossoms
Katy Hurt
Matt the Electrician
Leslie Stevens
The Hanging Stars
Robert Chaney
Peter Bruntnell

Fair Country

Charlie Crockett

Sam Lewis
Ags Connolly
Jake Morrell
Amy Speace

The Long Road will take place at Stanford Hall in Leicestershire from September 6th – 8th 2019. Tickets start at £40*, Weekend No Camping tickets at £90* and Weekend Camping tickets start at £110* (*plus booking fees). Ticket prices correct at time of announcement. Tickets are available from www.thelongroad.com.

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