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# Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest® Boat Parade Announces Another First for 2022

Say "Bye Bye Bye" to just one and plan on being more than "Satisfied" with three Floridabased Grand Marshals for Winterfest® 2022 – Taylor Dayne, Joey Fatone and Chris Kirkpatrick

Fort Lauderdale, FL (October 24, 2022) – The highlight of the 10/21 Winterfest Launch Party illuminated another first for the Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade- not one not two, but three Grand Marshalls. Justin Wyborn, vice president and assistant general manager of Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood made the announcement of three music icons from the 80s, 90s and 2000s will be co-Grand Marshals – Taylor Dayne, Joey Fatone and Chris Kirkpatrick respectively, will serve as co-Grand Marshals.

"Winterfest is so excited to have these three iconic entertainers perform at the Grand Marshal Reception on board the Fifth Third Grand Marshal showboat," said Lisa Scott-Founds, President & CEO of Winterfest®, Inc. "The Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest® Boat Parade will be a floating concert with performances from the start to the finale."

The Grand Marshals will kick off the 2022 Winterfest Boat Parade riding aboard the lead yacht, performing for and addressing the thousands of parade partiers and views along the 12-mile New River and Intracoastal parade route, and parade viewers watching on WSVN-TV. Parade Viewers at the Public Viewing Area presented by Baptist Health will be in for a special treat, as the parade makes its way towards Pompano Beach.

Taylor Dayne's career launched in the 1980s with a groundbreaking debut single, "Tell It To My Heart." A successful string of singles followed earning Dayne three Grammy nominations, and an American Music Award. She has sold over 75 million albums and singles worldwide.

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Chris Kirkpatrick is a founding member of the multi-platinum-selling Grammy-nominated pop group, \*NSYNC. After the success of their debut release in Europe, \*NSYNC went on to dominate the Billboard charts in the United States with their self-titled album which went on to become certified 10x platinum. The 2000 release of "No Strings Attached" debuted at #1 with 2.4 million albums sold in one week, which held the record for most album sales in the first day and week for 15 years and became the bestselling album of 2000.

Fun Fact: All three Grand Marshals have been on the television show The Masked Singer on Fox (Taylor as Popcorn in Season 4, Joey as the Rabbit in Season 1, and Chris as the Hummingbird in Season 8).

Other entertainment lined up to perform within the Parade is the TikTok Country Duo TigirLily, three-piece bands Kerst Lehmann & Black Tie Optional, and Ricky Valido & The Hialeah Hillbillies and the Santa Finale with holiday music sponsored by Amazon. The parade will be heralded by fireworks sponsored by Kroger Delivery.

In addition to their parade appearances, the three Grand Marshals will be part of a private Winterfest® Grand Marshal Reception at Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood, presented by Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center on Friday, Dec. 9 and will be performing at the event, another first for the Winterfest organization.

For more information on the Winterfest Celebration, how to win tickets to the exclusive Grand Marshal event with iHeart or purchase tickets to watch the Parade, visit <u>WinterfestParade.com</u> or call 954-767-0686.

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### • <u>Taylor Dayne:</u>

Taylor's career spans three decades from her groundbreaking debut single "Tell It To My Heart" to songs such as "Love Will Lead You Back" "Prove Your Love" and "I'll Always Love You." Taylor has sold over 75 million albums and singles worldwide, earned three Grammy nominations, an American Music Award, multiple New York Music Awards, received New York Music Hall of Fame honors and was ranked as the Number 18 Female Dance artist of all time by Rolling Stone magazine. She is one of the very few artists in musical history to successfully crossover into almost every musical genre and chart with hit singles in Pop, Dance, R&B, Adult contemporary and Rock.

Along with her singing career, she has appeared in film, TV and stage, from Broadway favorites like Elton John's award-winning production of "Aida," and Mel Brooks "Archie" and "Mehitable," to working with legendary composer Jules Styne to reprise the role of Fanny Brice on Broadway. Taylor also appeared in movies including "Love Affair" with Warren Beatty and Annette Benning and co-starred in Denis Leary's TV drama "Rescue Me". She also starred in the HBO film "STAG" and co-starred on Showtime's original series "Rude Awakening" while continuing to record, write and produce her last two studio records "Naked Without You" and "Satisfied," which gave her Number 1 "Beautiful" and top 10 chart hit "Unstoppable."

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Taylor has just moved to the Fort Lauderdale Area.

• Joey Fatone:



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Starting at age seven when Joey starred alongside Robert DeNiro in the feature film Once Upon a Time in America. Growing up he was always drawn to entertainment and at 17 he got a job at Universal Studios in the Beetlejuice Graveyard Revue. It was there that he met another theme park performer, Chris Kirkpatrick which led to his joining \*NSYNC—before long they were the hottest act in the U.S., Europe and beyond. They quickly became one of the most iconic pop groups in history.

Following \*NSYNC's incredible success with albums that sold over 10 million copies and countless awards, Joey became a prominent performer and personality in his own right. With projects spanning from television, film and theater, he has done it all. He hosted the popular, long-running show "My Family Recipe Rocks!" on the Live Well Network, which highlights the stories of homegrown cooks and their homemade specialties from around the country. He also hosted the cooking competition show, "Rewrapped" on the Food Network.

Joey has competed in reality TV shows from ABC's "Dancing With The Stars" to hosting NBC's hit series "The Singing Bee" and "Celebrity Circus." Joey's character cousin Angelo in My Big Fat Greek Wedding (one and two) instantly became a fan favorite.

Other ventures include: hosting the game show "Common Knowledge" and has recently performed at Epcot with the show "Joey Fatone and friends that included Chris Kirkpatrick, Ryan Cabrera, Nathan Morris of BOYZ II MEN, MC Search and more and has been doing a music trivia show on YouTube called What Does Joey Know? His recent residency in Las Vegas The Aftr Party featuring Joey Fatone, Wanya Morris, Nick Carter and AJ McLean was completely sold out.

He is currently filming Big Fat Greek Wedding 3.

#### • Chris Kirkpatrick:

Chris moved to Orlando, Florida in 1990 to attend college. While living in Central Florida, he started working at Universal Studios, singing and performing in their theme park doo wop group, the Hollywood Hi Tones.

Kirkpatrick is the founding member of the multi-platinum-selling Grammy-nominated pop group, \*NSYNC. In 1995, Chris brought together the members of \*NSYNC who shortly after signed a record deal with BMG Germany and tour all over Europe. Their self-titled album, released in the Spring of 1997 hit number 1 in multiple European countries.

After the success of their debut release in Europe, \*NSYNC went on to dominate the Billboard charts in the United States first releasing their self-titled album on March 24, 1998, which went on to become certified 10x platinum. They followed that up with the 2000 release of No Strings Attached. It debuted at #1 with 2.4 million albums sold in one week, which held the record for most album sales in the first day and week for 15 years. No Strings Attached was the bestselling album of 2000. The group's final album, Celebrity was released in the summer of 2001. It was their second album to debut at #1 and is certified 5x Platinum.



After members \*NSYNC started to work on solo projects, Chris created a casual and athletic-wear clothing line, FuMan Skeeto. He was also the lead singer of the rock-pop group, Nigels 11. They released a five-song EP in 2010 entitled, Clandestine Operation.

Kirkpatrick has continued to work in the entertainment industry as a voice over actor in animated shows such as Fairly Odd Parents and Stripperella. In addition, he was a cast member on VH1's Mission: Man Band and the second season of CMT's Gone Country as well as the film Dead 7.

Kirkpatrick started his own non-profit organization, The Chris Kirkpatrick Foundation. He was inspired to start his own organization to help the lives of underprivileged children in Central Florida.

In 2021, Kirkpatrick participated in ABC's A Very Boy Band Holiday with Joey Fatone, Wanya Morris, and other figures from prominent vocal groups. During the special, which aired on December 6, 2021, he sang Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree and provided his vocals to numerous other holiday classics.

In 2022, Kirkpatrick was a houseguest in the third season of Celebrity Big Brother, which began on February 2, 2022. and continues to tour and make guest appearances around the US.

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#### TAYLOR DAYNE

Taylor Dayne is an American pop icon with a career spanning three decades, Taylor's groundbreaking debut single "Tell It To My Heart" turned her into an overnight international star in 1987. She followed the smash hit with seventeen Top 20 singles over the course of her three-decade career, including Number Ones "Love Will Lead You Back" "Prove Your Love" and "I'll Always Love You." Taylor has sold over 75 million albums and singles worldwide, earned three Grammy nominations, an American Music Award, multiple New York Music Awards, received New York Music Hall of Fame honors and ranked as the Number 18 Female Dance artist of all time by Rolling Stone magazine. She is one of the very few artists in musical history to successfully crossover into almost every musical genre and chart with hit singles in Pop, Dance, R&B, Adult contemporary and Rock.

Equally recognized for her songwriting talent, Taylor wrote many of her own hits as well as Tina Turner's "Whatever You Want." With a truly distinctive vocal style and powerful range, she created a unique vocal sound all her own that defined an era by her music. As the late 80s moved into the 90s, her chart-topping songs came with her. Her cover of Barry White's "Can't Get Enough Of Your Love" and "Send Me A Lover" brought a strength and power to a female voice seldom heard in history. Taylor's international radio and record success along with her stage presence and world tours took her musical message of love and passion straight to the heart of her fans and audiences worldwide.

By the late 90s, Taylor's career grew further as an actress. She appeared in film, TV and stage, from Broadway favorites like Elton John's award-winning production of "Aida," and Mel Brooks "Archie" and "Mehitable," to working with legendary composer Jules Styne to reprise the role of Fanny Brice on Broadway. Taylor also appeared in movies including "Love Affair" with Warren Beatty and Annette Benning and co-starred in Denis Leary's TV drama "Rescue Me". She also starred in the HBO film "STAG" and co-starred on Showtime's original series "Rude Awakening" while continuing to record, write and produce her last two studio records " Naked Without You" and "Satisfied," which gave her Number 1 "Beautiful" and top 10 chart hit "Unstoppable."



Her growth as an artist was enhanced by the birth of her twins in early 2002. Her voice became stronger and more meaningful as she took on single motherhood, empowerment, surrogacy and parenthood head-on, becoming a voice and an advocate for working woman, same-sex marriage, parenting and fertility. Her 2016 TEDWoman talk opened her career to more speaking engagements, inspirational and monumental moments, and paved the way to her memoir.

In 2018, Taylor celebrated her 30-year anniversary release with the release of "Tell It To My Heart," 30 year Deluxe Edition with additional mixes and 2 new songs. She is also embarked on a national "Tell it To My Heart" tour to celebrate with her fans.

In 2019 Taylor released her first book, a memoir "Tell It To My Heart" on February 14th which went on Amazon's best seller list. In the summer of 2019 she released a new single called "Live Without". In 2020 she joined Lisa Lisa for a U.S. tour called "Ladies of the 80's." This past summer she released a new single called "Please" and is working on anticipated new music.

In addition, in September 2020 Taylor Dayne competed in the Fox hit show The Masked Singer for the 4th season. She competed as PopCorn, and made it to the semi finals.

New for Taylor is Dayne's Den is a performance residency series that is currently in development. Each show will feature Taylor alongside a special guest and live band, performing a selection of hits and sharing stories throughout the 70-90 minute event.

Also working with big time producer Gregg Fields and coming out with an EP.

#### JOEY FATONE

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No stranger to the screen, Joey has been recognized from competing in the hit reality TV show's from ABC's "Dancing With The Stars" to hosting NBC's hit series "The Singing Bee" and "Celebrity Circus." He earned his first producer credit for the cable television series TLC's "The Singing Office," which he also co-hosted alongside Melanie Brown. Joey's character cousin Angelo hit the screen in March 2016 for the hotly-anticipated My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 which instantly became a fan-favorite.

For 2019, Joey began hosting on Game Show Networks highly anticipated "Common Knowledge" and he came in 4th place on Fox's hit show Masked Singer as The Rabbit. Joey also is working on "Fat Ones," a hot dog business which he launched in Orlando, FL and started a podcast with his longtime manager <u>https://www.podcastone.com/two-cups-of-joe-with-joey-fatoneand-joe-mulvihill</u>. In November of 2019 at Epcot's Food and Wine Festival Eat and Beat series Joey performed three days of successful shows called "Joey Fatone and friends". Fans packed the theater and were entertained by Joey along with Chris KirkPatrick, Ryan Cabrera, Nathan Morris of BOYZ II MEN, MC Search and more. Currently he has been doing a music trivia show on YouTube called What Does Joey Know? He brings fans and celebrities along with co-host Jason Logan and longtime manager Joe Mulvihill. As host of Common Knowledge it is currently syndicated on Fox stations across the country. He also is an ambassador for Game Show Network.

In 2021 Joey recently became a panelist for a new Irish singing competition show Last Singer Standing. Most recently Joey Fatone sold-out Las Vegas residency **The Aftr Party** featuring **Joey Fatone**, **Wanya Morris**, **Nick Carter** and **AJ McLean**, bringing together some of the biggest pop superstars for a perfect, intimate evening of pop culture classics and fun. Fatone recently became an ambassador of Hilton Grand Vacations. He is currently filming Big Fat Greek Wedding 3.



For more information on Joey follow him on IG @realjoeyfatone

#### CHRIS KIRKPATRICK

Chris Kirkpatrick is an American singer, songwriter, dancer, music producer, and occasional actor, who is best known for his work as the founding member of the pop group NSYNC, in which he sang countertenor. He also serves as a songwriter and producer and has regularly worked as a voice actor and participant in numerous reality TV shows.

After graduating from high school in 1990, he moved to Orlando, Florida to get to know his biological father, who offered to help him pay for college. He attended Valencia College, where he originally intended to pursue an acting career in theatre. However, he changed his major to music after receiving scholarships for his involvement in Valencia's choir. While at Valencia, Kirkpatrick began forming various a cappella groups and arranging music to practice and perform at local coffee shops. Later, he auditioned and became involved as a caroler for the Caroling Company, which eventually led him to a job as a doo-wop singer at Universal Studios. Kirkpatrick received his associate degree in music in 1993.

Afterwards, Kirkpatrick received another scholarship to attend Rollins College where he studied music and psychology full time while holding three jobs: 1) performing at Universal Studios Florida as a member of a doo-wop group called The Hollywood Hi-Tones, 2) working as a photographer at Sea World, and 3) waiting tables at a local Outback Steakhouse. In addition to working and attending college, he also played gigs as a local DJ.

In 1994, while working at Universal Studios and singing in The Hollywood Hi-Tones (a throwback doo-wop group of aspiring singers and actors) Kirkpatrick was introduced to Lou Pearlman through a mutual friend that he had met in choir (Charlie Edwards). Edwards had briefly been a part of the Backstreet Boys before quitting, and had heard that Pearlman was interested in financing another vocal group, so he passed the information to Kirkpatrick.

Kirkpatrick took the opportunity, and after over a year of searching and trying out different people he eventually recruited Justin Timberlake and JC Chasez (members of the 1990s Mickey Mouse Club revival), and the three formed the nucleus of NSYNC. Later, Kirkpatrick recruited Joey Fatone who was also working at Universal Studios at the time. After some difficulty finding a consistent bass singer, the group eventually found Lance Bass through Justin's vocal coach, and the group collectively came together in September 1995.

With the group, Kirkpatrick sold over seventy million throughout the late 1990s and early 2000s. He sang countertenor/soprano and lead in various songs including "Thinking of You (I Drive Myself Crazy)", "Together Again", "I Thought She Knew", "Just Got Paid", and many songs from their Christmas album. Initially signed to Ariola Records in Germany, NSYNC's self-titled debut album was released in Europe in 1997 and internationally the following year, selling eleven million copies. After the band had a series of financial and legal struggles with Pearlman, they were released from their contracts in 1999 and signed with Jive Records.

Their sophomore album, No Strings Attached, was released the following year and sold a record-breaking 2.4 million copies in its first week and was later named the best-selling album of the year. NSYNC's third album, Celebrity, was released in July 2001 and produced three hit singles: "Pop", "Gone", and "Girlfriend". The Celebrity album featured more creative involvement from the group, who wrote and produced many of their own tracks.

After their Celebrity Tour, NSYNC announced in April 2002 that they would be taking a hiatus, and each member of the group began venturing into their own solo projects. Although NSYNC never officially broke up, they have not reunited or released new music since, with mixed responses from members as to whether a reunion would ever happen. NSYNC's last official performance was at the 2003 Grammys but the band briefly came together at the MTV Video Music Awards during Justin Timberlake's Video Vanguard Award performance. In April 2019, NSYNC reunited without Timberlake for a one-off performance with Ariana Grande for her headlining set at the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival.

After NSYNC disbanded, Kirkpatrick started working on several musical projects, including writing and singing lead for his alternative rock band Nigel's 11. Nigel's 11 was an American alternative rock band officially formed in Florida in 2007 by Kirkpatrick, and consisted of Chris Kirkpatrick (lead vocalist), Mike Bosch (guitar), Dave Carreiro (bass), and Ernie Longoria (drums). The band was originally called The Little Red Monsters when Kirkpatrick debuted their first songs at the April Fool's Ball in 2004 before the group's name and lineup changed.[14]



Nigel's 11 began working on their album in 2009 and released their first album, Clandestine Operation, independently in 2010. The album featured five original songs: "Who Am I?", "All The Way Around", "Mr. Jealousy", "Get Out", and "Crazy Girl". The songs from Clandestine Operation focused heavily on themes of overcoming personal struggles and issues of self-identity. Kirkpatrick stated that his band's sound was influenced by various 1970s and 1980s rock groups that he admired such as ELO, Queen, and Boston.

Nigel's 11 also made a number of other songs that were not included on their debut album, but were released either online or at live shows, including "All She Wrote", "Say You Will", "Tokyo", "Jodi's Song", "Everybody Gets Lost", and "My World". Some of their music was also included in the soundtrack for A Christmas Snow, and included an original song, called "All Alone", as well as a punk rock remix of a traditional Christmas song, "O Come, All Ye Faithful".

In addition to his solo music, Kirkpatrick also became involved in voice acting, providing his voice for the famous popstar character Chip Skylark on the animated television series The Fairly OddParents on Nickelodeon. Having appeared in numerous episodes spanning from 2002 to 2009, his character did many songs such as "Find Your Voice", "Icky Vicky", and "My Shiny Teeth & Me". In 2007, Kirkpatrick agreed to star in the reality show Mission Man Band alongside the late Rich Cronin of LFO, Bryan Abrams of Color Me Badd, Jeff Timmons of 98°. The show was about former boyband members of the 1990s forming a new group together and debuted on August 7, 2007. Kirkpatrick hosted the show at his Orlando house, and the guys formed the supergroup "man band" called Sureshot in which they recorded three original songs, including "Story Of My Life", "Withoutcha", and "Work That Out" and performed at local sporting events, charities, and fairs.

In April 2008, it was announced that Kirkpatrick would be a part of the second season of CMT's show Gone Country. Kirkpatrick participated in Gone Country with other cast members: Sebastian Bach, Irene Cara (one episode), Mikalah Gordon, Jermaine Jackson, Lorenzo Lamas, and Sean Young. The show was hosted by John Rich of the country duo Big & Rich. During the show, for which each contestant had to prepare and perform an original song, John Rich told Kirkpatrick that he had one of the strongest songs of the competition with "That'll Get Ya By", which he dedicated to his mother, who he said: "held the family together". On the show, John Rich said that Kirkpatrick impressed many country fans when he stepped on stage and proved he had the writing skills and voice to be a successful country artist. The first place prize of having a record produced by John Rich and the promise of play from Kix Brooks on his radio show went to Sebastian Bach. However, John Rich congratulated Kirkpatrick on his success and told him he had the writing skills and voice to be a successful country artist show went to sebastian Bach. However, artist and that he could see his song going number one as a country hit.

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Besides television, Kirkpatrick has done some minor acting in sci-fi films such as Sharknado 3 where he played a lifeguard and Dead 7 where he played the role of Mayor Shelby.

#### Other ventures

In 1999, Kirkpatrick founded a clothing line called FuMan Skeeto, which was a cross between the urban and skater fashion trends of the time. His unisex line of clothing included casual items like T-shirts, shorts, cut-off shirts, long-sleeved jerseys, and hats. Fuman Skeeto also produced specialty clothing items for celebrities like Britney Spears as well as members of his own band. The clothing line ceased as of 2002.

Kirkpatrick founded his own non-profit organization, the Chris Kirkpatrick Foundation, which seeks to enhance the lives of underprivileged children in central Florida by providing health care as well as educational, developmental and monitoring programs, citing his own difficult childhood as his major inspiration for starting the foundation. In addition to these programs, his foundation also hosts annual events for children.

Currently, Kirkpatrick continues to work as a songwriter and produces music and manages a number of other artists with his company Working Class Industry, works with charities, hosts and performs many events across the country, writes music with



The Dopplegangers, and has collaborated on songs with various artists, including David Foster ("I Will"), Blake Lewis ("She's Makin Me Lose It"), AJ McLean's project ATCK ("Air"), and Tony Lucca ("Wiggle It Out").

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