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National Cherry Blossom Festival to Present Nationally Syndicated Variety Entertainment Show – Hosted by Drew Barrymore, Featuring Grammy Award-Winning Performers

Unforgettable Show Will Premiere on GATHER by Events DC on April 9

Washington, D.C. [March 1, 2021] – The National Cherry Blossom Festival today announced the National Cherry Blossom Festival Celebration Show, a nationally syndicated variety entertainment show to bring the spirit of spring and the 2021 National Cherry Blossom Festival into homes across the country. Presented by Events DC and supported by Amazon, the Celebration Show will be co-hosted by Drew Barrymore, actress, producer, director, talk show host and entrepreneur, and Alison Stirling, news anchor for ABC 7 (WJLA), and will feature an all-star lineup of performances and special appearances.

“The National Cherry Blossom Festival Celebration Show will be full of joy, nostalgia, and great entertainment,” said Diana Mayhew, president and CEO of the National Cherry Blossom Festival. “It will be an unforgettable celebration of spring in Washington, D.C., that the whole family will enjoy.”

Celebrities and other exciting elements of the Celebration Show confirmed to date include:

- American country singer Vince Gill
- Singer-songwriter Amy Grant
- Gospel legend and Grammy Award winner CeCe Winans
- Tony-nominated Broadway star Norm Lewis
- Electric violinist Lindsey Stirling
- 2020 “American Idol” winner Samantha Diaz
- Olympic gold medalist Kristi Yamaguchi
- A special collaboration between the National Children’s Chorus and the Tokyo International Children’s Choir (Japan)
- Winners of the 2020 Sing into Spring Vocal Competition, Aurora Martin (soloist) and the GW Troubadours (group)

The Celebration Show will be broadcast online on GATHER by Events DC on Friday, April 9; broadcast locally on WJLA-TV (ABC 7) on Saturday, April 10 at 12:00 p.m. ET and WJLA 24/7 News on Sunday, April 11 at 10:30 a.m. ET; and be syndicated nationally throughout April, May, and June. The GATHER platform can be reached at www.gatherthedistrict.com.

The Celebration Show is being presented by Events DC and supported by Amazon. Supporting sponsors include ARTECHOUSE, Chase, DowntownDC Business Improvement District (BID), and Mars, Incorporated.

More details about the Celebration Show can be found at nationalcherryblossomfestival.org/event/celebration-show.

The 2021 National Cherry Blossom Festival will offer engaging virtual and personal experiences through unique programs, activities, and events that honor the Festival's deep traditions and bring the celebration of spring into the hearts and homes of communities throughout the D.C. area and beyond. Lead sponsors (Leadership Circle) for this year's Festival are Amazon and Events DC.

For more information, visit nationalcherryblossomfestival.org and follow the Festival's social media pages on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

About National Cherry Blossom Festival

The National Cherry Blossom Festival is one of the world's great celebrations of spring. The 2021 Festival, March 20-April 11, will include three weeks of events featuring diverse and creative programming promoting traditional and contemporary arts and culture, natural beauty, and community spirit. Visit nationalcherryblossomfestival.org or call 877.44.BLOOM for more information, and check out [Facebook](#) (@CherryBlossomFestival), [Instagram](#) (@CherryBlossFest), and [Twitter](#) (@CherryBlossFest).

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