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WinStar World Casino and Resort to kick off 2018 with an exciting entertainment lineup

Guests can catch a variety of entertainment acts beginning Jan. 12

THACKERVILLE – WinStar World Casino and Resort will kick off the month of January with Kraig Parker, followed by the Doobie Brothers, Charlie Wilson, Criss Angel, Gladys Knight and ending the month with Pitbull. In February, Jim Gaffigan will have the crowd laughing through the evening, followed by country music legends Gary Allan and Rascal Flatts. Coming to the Global Event Center in March will be Johnny Mathis, One Republic, Chicago and Tony Orlando.

"We're thrilled to start out the New Year with these talented artists and comedians here at WinStar," said Stephanie Callaway, WinStar's entertainment manager. "The artists we have slated to perform in the Global Event Center are known for putting on exciting performances that will have the audience dancing or laughing throughout the night."

Ticket prices for all events held in the Global Event Center at WinStar can be found at the <u>WinStar Entertainment</u> page on the website. WinStar also offers live entertainment at the <u>Palladium Lounge</u> and the Skyline Lounge.

The Doobie Brothers – 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12 – SOLD OUT

Check out one of the most popular pop/rock bands from the '70s. From their mellow and soul-inflected tunes, you'll be singing right along with The Doobie Brothers. The Doobie Brothers have a string of gold and platinum albums including the popular hit songs, "Listen to the Music," "Black Water," and "China Grove

Charlie Wilson – 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13

Charlie Wilson is a talented musician with eight No. 1 singles, 11 Grammy Award nominations, a best-selling memoir and ongoing sold-out, coast-to-coast arena tours. Some famous albums include "My Love Is All I Have," "You Are," and "There Goes My Baby."

<u>Criss Angel RAW – The Mindfreak Unplugged – 7 p.m. Friday Jan. 19</u>

Criss Angel RAW – The Mindfreak Unplugged is a theatrical experience unlike any other; bringing Angel's famous sleight of hand street magic, mentalism, and his most iconic illusions to life – all performed in an intimate, raw setting. This extraordinary evening of magic unplugged features Angel and some of his amazing friends with a stripped-down purity that's in-your-face and guaranteed to blow your mind.

Gladys Knight – 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20

Gladys Knight is fondly known as the "Empress of Soul." The seven-time Grammy-award-winning performer is best known for the hits she recorded during the 1960s and '70s like "Midnight Train to Georgia," with her group Gladys Knight & The Pips.

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Pitbull – 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 – SOLD OUT

Pitbull, also known as Mr. Worldwide, will have the crowd dancing throughout the evening as he performs hits like "Timber," "Time of Our Lives," "Fireball" and more. His electrifying mix of his hottest hits and legendary beats will have the crowd rocking throughout the evening.

Jim Gaffigan – 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9

Jim Gaffigan is an American stand-up comedian, actor, writer and producer. With successful Grammy-nominated comedy specials, including "Mr. Universe" and "Jim Gaffigan: Obsessed," Gaffigan will have the crowds laughing at WinStar's Global Event Center.

Gary Allan – 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10

Playing in and out of the smoky, sweaty bars with his dad's band led Gary Allan to follow in his father's footsteps and start his own band. After a world tour and a rest, Allan went into the studio to record in 2012. The single "Every Storm (Runs Out of Rain)" appeared in September of that year, while its accompanying album, "Set You Free," was released in January of 2013.

Rascal Flatts – 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16

With over ten albums released and sixteen number one hits, Rascal Flatts won't disappoint as they perform well-known hit songs like "What Hurts the Most," "Bless the Broken Road," "Prayin' for Daylight" and "Life is a Highway."

Bellator MMA – 5:45 p.m., Friday, March 2

Sports enthusiasts won't want to miss this hard-hitting, action-packed event! The first fight begins at 5:45 p.m. with doors opening at 5 p.m.

Johnny Mathis - 8 p.m. Saturday, March. 10

Johnny Mathis, whose discography spans almost every genre, boasts a musical diversity that has served him well in his 60-year career. Fans still flock to hear his characteristically romantic vocals at venues across the country.

OneRepublic – 8 p.m. Friday, March. 16

OneRepublic is an American pop rock band formed in 2002 with notable singles including "Stop and Stare," "Apologize," "All the Right Moves" and "Good Life." The band's third album, "Native," was the first top ten album on the *Billboard 200* and highest charting album to date, charting at number four. In 2017, the band released the singles "No Vacancy," "Truth to Power," "Stranger Things," and "Rich Love."

Chicago – 8 p.m. Saturday, March. 17

Considered one of the longest-running and most successful pop-rock groups in history, Chicago is the highest charting American band in Billboard Magazine's list of Top 100 artists of all time, coming in at 13. Lifetime achievements include a Grammy Award, multiple American Music Awards, elected as Founding Artists to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, a Chicago street dedicated in their honor, and keys to and proclamations from an impressive list of U.S. cities.

Tony Orlando - 3 p.m. Sunday, March. 18

Tony Orlando is a talented American pop singer and actor more formally known for his music group, "Tony Orlando and Dawn." His acting career landed him scenes in "300 Miles For Stephanie," "That's My Boy," "Waking Up In Reno and the "Cosby Show." Some of Orlando's solo hit singles include, "Halfway To Paradise," "Bless You," and Happy Times (Are Here To Stay)."

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About WinStar World Casino and Resort

With more games than any other casino in the world, WinStar World Casino and Resort offers more than 7,400 electronic games, 98 tables games, 55 poker tables, two 18-hole championship golf courses, and the 3,500-seat Global Event Center and the nearly 1,400-room WinStar World Casino Hotel. Located just north of the Oklahoma/Texas border along Interstate 35, WinStar World Casino and Resort presents unrivaled gaming action 24 hours a day, seven days a week, world-class entertainers and a wide range of restaurants. For more information, go to www.WinStarWorldCasino.com or follow on Facebook at http://twitter.com/#!/WinStarWorld