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Harpeth Conservancy's River Swing Returns September 20 with St. Paul and the Broken Bones Headlining

Franklin, Tenn. (September 4, 2025) — Harpeth Conservancy's *River Swing*, named nFocus' *BEST OUTDOOR PARTY* and *MOST FUN PARTY* of 2024, returns to River Circle Farm in Franklin on **Saturday, September 20, from 6–11 p.m.** This year's event promises an unforgettable evening of music, food, and community, raising vital funds for clean water and healthy rivers across Tennessee.

Guests will enjoy a headlining performance by St. Paul and the Broken Bones, alongside Julian Carmichael during cocktail hour and DJ MGR Mike at the latenight after party. The evening also features a large silent auction with unique offerings; a catered BBQ dinner by Martin's BBQ; and the signature cocktail—the Harpeth Mule—a refreshing blend of ginger, lemon, warming spices, and orange blossom, provided by Lipman Brothers, alongside a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic options.

The River Swing season began in style with a **Patron Party hosted by AllianceBernstein**, offering sweeping views of the Nashville skyline and the iconic 'Batman Building' in downtown Nashville along the Cumberland River. Guests mingled over **exquisite charcuterie**, **macarons**, **and the signature River Swing cocktail**, while photos were captured against the stunning backdrop. (*Photos from the event will be made available to the press*.)

Karl Sprules, Chief Operating Officer of AllianceBernstein, welcomed more than 120 attendees alongside Harpeth Conservancy CEO Grace Stranch, President Dorie Bolze, and Emcee Tom Landstreet, sharing why protecting Tennessee's waterways is a mission deeply aligned with the company's values. Guests included Board Chair Courtney Laginess, Harpeth Conservancy Board and Advisory Council members, River Swing Committee members, Harpeth Protection Society Members, and River Swing sponsors.

"We are honored to help celebrate the longstanding legacy of the Harpeth Conservancy," said Sprules. "Personally, I've always believed in the importance of being around water. Professionally, so many great cities, including Nashville and the Middle Tennessee region, are built along waterways. We applaud the Harpeth Conservancy for their mission to provide clean water and healthy ecosystems across our community."

Now in its 22nd year, River Swing has become more than a celebration, it's a tradition that brings folks together to protect the rivers and waterways that sustain Tennessee.

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Harpeth Conservancy CEO Grace Stranch delivered a message on the importance of clean water and gave updates on the organization's success this year. "At River Swing, we're reminded that joy and purpose can flow together. Good music and great company bring us here, but what unites us is something greater: the work of protecting and restoring the river that sustains us all," she said. "Every ticket purchased, every sponsor partnership, and every contribution helps us continue to work for clean, healthy rivers that nourish our state."

Everyone present participated in "cheers" to the Harpeth Conservancy signature toast: "We are the river. United we are the solution."

This year's River Swing is made possible through the generous support of its Presenting Sponsors AllianceBernstein and FarmVet, alongside a robust coalition of River Champions, Defenders, Heroes, Event Champions, Corporate Friends, and other Sponsors. River Champion & Defender sponsors include Advance Financial Foundation, Anderson Real Estate Group, Berry Farms, Boyle, Brown-Forman, Civil Constructors, Darrell Waltrip Automotive, Equitable Trust, GBT Realty, Grasslands Environmental, Harpeth Painting, Harpeth Square, Holtzman Vogel, Ingram Barge, John Bouchard & Sons Co, JPMorgan Chase, Lipman Brothers, Old National Bank, Price Printing, Southern Events, Stranch Jennings Garvey PLLC, Tennsco, Tractor Supply Co Foundation, Wealth Strategies Partners, and WM.

A full sponsor and auction donor list can be found at www.riverswing.org.

Tickets are available by table or individual reservation:

- Individual Reservation: \$450 (per person) increases to \$550 on Sept. 5 (Single ticket purchases not guaranteed reserved seats after Sept. 15).
- **Table of 10**: \$4,500 (increases to \$5,500 on Sept. 5).
- **Table of 8**: \$3,600 (increases to \$4,400 on Sept. 5).
- Young Professionals Tickets: Limited availability at \$200 per ticket. YP tickets can be obtained by emailing jessicabaggetta@harpethriver.org.

To continue to support the rivers of Tennessee and for more info or to purchase tables/tickets for the 22nd Annual River Swing on September 20th visit www.riverswing.org.

Media are invited to attend with prior reservation. Interviews and media passes may be arranged. For more information, additional images, to arrange interviews or media passes to River Swing, please contact:

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ABOUT HARPETH CONSERVANCY

Founded in 1999, Harpeth Conservancy is a science-based non-profit conservation organization. Harpeth Conservancy's mission is to restore and protect clean water and healthy ecosystems for rivers in Tennessee by employing scientific expertise and collaborative relationships to develop, promote, and support broad community stewardship and action. Harpeth Conservancy's success is driven by working with landowners, businesses, community, local, state, and federal decision-makers, and members to foster solutions that reduce pollution and maintain healthy areas.

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