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Villa Verde Profiles World Music at the First Annual Feel Good Festival

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The Georgia International Horse Park

June 2009. Atlanta, GA. Never more than in recent times has the need to "feel good" been more prevalent. With the world's resources in a state of peril, pop culture icons meeting their demise and the restructuring of our nation, most are in need of what Oprah Winfrey calls an "Aha moment". To that effect, **Villa Verde, Inc.** has taken the notion of feeling good to a new level with the presentation of the **First Annual Feel Good Festival**. Slated to commence on **Saturday, August 1, 2009** at the **Georgia International Horse Park**, the festival will speak to the hearts, minds and lifestyles of today's ever changing community. While vendors will be on hand to share knowledge about how to live sustainable lifestyles in the categories of food, fuel, home and beauty, the afternoon's anchors lie in the wisdom of its world renowned speakers and enchantment of the mixed bag of cultured musical artists.

Rooted in the world of gospel music and with almost a dozen full length albums in her discography, R&B sensation **Miki Howard** will be on hand to get visitors in the groove of rhythm and blues in a highly anticipated set of soulful singing.

The Grammy Award Winning **Howard** will set the stage for a downpour of culturally significant performances including **Native American Celtic Violinist Arvel Bird**. Known as "**Lord of the Strings**", Bird extraordinary talents span the gamut from violin and flute to lyrical storytelling. With a tribal feeling and Celtic style as the markings of his compositions, **Bird** will be a breath of fresh air and a visual treat for Georgia families of all backgrounds.

Traditional African griot Jamal Toure and his troupe will delight audiences with "epic traditions and songs of the Kings of Mali". Offering a historical journey through the low

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countries of Savannah, **Toure** will share with attendees the rich cultural legacy that is found here in the state of Georgia through song, dance and lyrical poems.

Touted as the next big thing in alternative rock, **Project DNA** will be on hand to provide a soul stirring performance rife with socially conscience lyrics and musicianship that brings to mind **Dave Matthews Band, Earth, Wind & Fire** and **Prince** all in one magical, musical set. With multi-platinum writers, award winning producers and vocal talent that steps "outside of the box" **Project DNA** will inject the atmosphere with a sentiment of youth, social awareness and fun.

Set the date, grab the family and enjoy a day of music, art, food and sustainable living by logging on to purchase tickets at www.fee-good-festival.com

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