

Sports & Entertainment

Hoobastank brings “The Reason” to Gold Strike on July 3 at Gold Strike Theatre in Tunica, MS; Tickets now on sale

TUNICA, Miss. Feb. 17, 2026) — Gold Strike Casino Resort, the Mid-South’s premier casino resort destination, will welcome the multi-platinum rock band Hoobastank to the stage at 8 p.m. Friday, July 3, at Gold Strike Theatre inside the casino. Hoobastank rose to global prominence with the release of its breakthrough single “The Reason,” which has become one of the most enduring rock anthems of the 2000s. The song has surpassed 1 billion streams on Spotify, currently exceeding 1.35 billion, earning a spot in the platform’s elite Billions Club — a distinction shared by just over 600 songs from artists such as AC/DC, The Beatles, Whitney Houston and Elton John. In December 2023, the band marked the 20th anniversary of its sophomore album, “The Reason,” which followed the success of its 2001 self-titled debut. That debut featured the hit singles “Crawling in the Dark,” “Run-

ning Away” and “Remember Me,” all of which were later certified RIAA platinum. “The Reason” further cemented Hoobastank’s place in rock history, propelled by its chart-topping title track. Two decades after its release, “The Reason” continues to resonate with longtime fans while reaching a new generation of listeners. The song’s official music video has surpassed 1 billion views on YouTube, placing the band among a select group of artists to reach that milestone across platforms. Hoobastank has also experienced a resurgence in recent years through the viral #NotAPerfectPerson trend on TikTok and placements in popular television

series. The band’s music has been featured in Netflix’s “Beef and Building the Band,” Amazon’s “The Boys” and Peacock’s “We Are Lady Parts,” helping drive renewed chart success and discovery. Tickets start at \$39.50 and are now on sale Gold Strike Casino Resort, located in Tunica, Mississippi, is a

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premier entertainment destination offering world-class gaming, dining and live performances. Tickets may be purchased by calling 888-747-7711 or by visiting goldstrike.com.

About Gold Strike Casino Resort Gold Strike Casino Resort is lo-

cated on the Mississippi River, approximately 30 minutes from downtown Memphis. With more than 1,100 luxury guest rooms, a theater, high-limit gaming, award-winning dining and a sportsbook, it is the Mid-South’s source of energy and excitement. To learn more, visit GoldStrike.com.

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CNE operates Gold Strike Casino Resort in Tunica, Miss., one of the most recognizable gaming destinations in the region. For more information, visit www.HardRockCasinoTulsa.com, www.CherokeeCasino.com and www.GoldStrike.com.

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Jamaican emcee Tenor Saw’s ‘Roll is Called’ is released by VP Records to honor artist from sports-ent. 4

chive series of master tape reissues from VP’s 40,000-track archive, processed using state-of-the-art high-definition conversion technology. Producer George Phang’s Power House label with a top brand in Jamaica in the 1980s, bridging the analogue to digital eras and showcasing the sparser sound of the dancehall and a wealth of new talent. “Roll Is Called” was one of dozens of reggae and dancehall songs built on the “Queen Majesty” riddim, itself a rocksteady cover of the Techniques’ version of The Impressions’ “Minstrel And Queen.” Sizzla’s anthem

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“Just One Of Those Days” is the most popular version of the riddim, based directly on this George Phang arrangement.



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