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SINGER-SONGWRITER CASEY JAMES WILL PERFORM AT THE BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The "American Idol" finalist and country music chart maker performs in an intimate concert

FORT LAUDERDALE – Singer-songwriter **Casey James** comes to the intimate Abdo New River Room at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts on **June 22 at 8 p.m.**

James shot to fame as a finalist on season 9 of American Idol and grew a fan base so enthusiastic it funded his current release, Strip It Down, through a Kickstarter campaign.

James combines a smoky, vocal quality and burning, lyrical skill with a guitar. As a country artist, he landed a Top 15 single with "Crying On A Suitcase" and has performed as the opening act for Taylor Swift, Alan Jackson and Sugarland.

Growing up in Texas, just a few miles west of Fort Worth, James began his career in a band that was in such high demand that it played 364 days in a single year.

In a review of a recent performance, OnMilwaulkee.com reported, "His blues is infused with rock, swing, metal and some old school honky-tonk country. Unequivocally, James delivered everything I hoped for and more. And that was a toe-tapping, finger-snapping, hand-clapping performance that left me grinning from ear to ear."

Tickets ae \$32.50 with \$52.50 VIP tickets offering premium seating and a meet and greet with the artist. Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Parker Playhouse and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at BrowardCenter.org or Ticketmaster.com; by phone at 954.462.0222 or the Broward Center's AutoNation Box Office. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets. The Broward Center for the Performing Arts is located in the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District at 201 SW Fifth Avenue in Fort Lauderdale.

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