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“America’s Western Sweetheart” to Perform at the Booth Western Art Museum

CARTERSVILLE, GA – A vibrant and natural entertainer, and one of the most sought after women performing Western music today, Belinda Gail will present a concert filled with inspiring Western music Thursday, June 29 at 7 p.m. at the Booth Western Art Museum.

Known as “America’s Western Sweetheart,” Gail was named Female Performer of the Year by the Western Music Association four consecutive years from 1999 to 2002, and currently holds the 2005 title.

Gail began her Western music career in 1996 when she toured with The Sons of the San Joaquin. Since that time she has performed with numerous other Western music artists including Don Edwards, Riders in the Sky, and the Oak Ridge Boys. She has made appearances at Silver Dollar City in Branson, Missouri with her own show, with the late Sonny Spencer of the Sons of the Pioneers, and at the 2005 Georgia Cowboy Poetry Gathering, among others.

Her display of stage presence and genuine love for her audience makes her performances both compelling and captivating. Gail says, “I have discovered that the more I give my audiences, the more they give back and we all just seem to spiral upward and enjoy ourselves immensely.”

Performing gospel and traditional country in addition to western and western swing music, Gail stirs the emotions and visions of the West. Concert tickets are \$5 for Booth Museum members and \$10 for not-yet members.

Guests are also invited to a Meet the Artists Reception on June 29 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Borderlands Gallery. The reception marks the official opening for the, *2nd Biennial Staff, Member and Volunteer Art Exposition* featuring the work of more than 50 artists. Guests are invited to meet the talented staff members, volunteers and members of the Booth who created the art in the exhibition, while enjoying refreshments adjacent to the gallery. Admission to the reception is free for members and included with regular admission for not-yet-members. Prior to the concert the Booth café will be open for dinner from 5:00 to 7:00 pm.

About the Booth Western Art Museum:

The Booth Western Museum is an 80,000 square foot museum located in Cartersville, Georgia, where guests are invited to explore the American West through contemporary Western artwork. The Museum also features a Presidential Gallery, a Civil War art gallery, and Sagebrush Ranch, featuring hands-on art activities and area for role-playing, storytelling and reading, all with a Western flair. Visitors to Booth Museum also enjoy the intimate downtown setting with unique specialty and antique shops, boutiques, and nationally featured restaurants, all within walking distance of the Museum. Open since August 2003, the Booth Museum is the only museum of its kind in the Southeast and is the second largest museum in the state of Georgia. For more information about the Booth Western Art Museum call 770-387-1300 or visit www.boothmuseum.org.

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