

Dear Fair Park Supporters,

It's hard to believe that a whole year has gone by, but the 2008 State Fair of Texas opens September 26th and will run through October 19th. This year's theme is "Ignite Your Senses". The outdoor Chevrolet Main Stage this year features diverse entertainment to include Zac Brown Band, Dallasite Demi Lovato, Kellie Pickler, Jessica Simpson, Kevin Fowler, and A.B. Quintanilla and Kumbia King All Starz. You can't beat the line up and it's all free with State Fair admission. The Esplanade Fountain will feature "Illumination Sensation", a spectacular light show complete with tech visual effect, fire and pyrotechnics. This year's fair will include a "Smart House" at the Women's Museum with the latest time and energy savings technologies for "green" homes, all designed by women engineers. Big Tex will meet King Tut in the Coliseum when Team Sandtastic transforms 100 tons of sand into replicas of Big Tex and Tutankhamun. And don't miss the 6th Annual World Corny Dog Eating Championship on the Chevy Main Stage September 28th to see who will take home the trophy. For a complete listing of events, entertainment, and other information, please visit www.bigtex.com



Aerial view of Cotton Bowl
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State Fair of Texas

The new and improved **Cotton Bowl Stadium** is about to be unveiled and is ready for three fantastic football match-ups this fall. The first game takes place on October 4th featuring the annual **Grambling v. Prairie View A&M** classic. It will be followed by the ever popular **University of Texas v. University of Oklahoma** rivalry set for October 11th. It should be a huge draw given their national rankings. A third football game set for October 18th will be between **Texas A&M Commerce and East Central University**. Following the State Fair of Texas, the Stadium will host Drumline Live (Battle of the Bands) on November 9th with area college and high school marching bands. The **University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and Texas Southern University** will make their first appearance at the Cotton Bowl on Saturday, November 29th.

Please visit our website at www.fairpark.org for the latest info. We look forward to seeing you at Fair Park soon!



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