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Fire In The Sky set for summer

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Even though the temperatures are still hovering in the 30s, planning for Laramie Jubilee Days continues with the announcement of the acts for the Fire In the Sky celebration on July 4.

This year's co-headliners making the trek to Laramie are Eric Church and The Lost Trailers.

Both artists are nationally-recognized in the country music scene.

Church, who began his career singing at bars and fraternity parties, signed to Capitol Records' Nashville division. In July 2006, he debuted "Sinners Like Me" and his first single, "How 'Bout You," reached the Top 20 on the Billboard Hot Country Songs charts. Since then, a few of his other singles have topped the charts and he has been busy working on his sophomore effort, "Carolina." With this album, Church is going for a more diverse sound.

"I wanted 'Carolina' to go some different places," Church said in a press release. "The first album was more aggressive and moody. This one is more diverse, more musical and a little brighter. I hope people can at least hear that we're still taking chances."

"Carolina" is set for release March 24.

The Lost Trailers, who made their official debut at Willie Nelson's annual Fourth of July picnic, started when two members of the band met in a church band as teenagers, according to their Web site.

The band's first major-label album was 2004's "Welcome to the Woods." The band switched labels from Universal/Republic to BNA Records in 2006 and released a self-titled album. Success really hit the band in 2008 with the debut of "Holler Back." The band was recently nominated by the Academy of Country Music Awards for top vocal group and top new vocal duo or group.

"I'm very excited about the entertainment that we have scheduled for the Fourth of July. Both Eric Church and the Lost Trailers are up-and-coming stars on the country music scene and they put on a phenomenal show," Jeff Gilmore, Fire In the Sky Chair for Laramie Jubilee Days, said in a press release. "As a bonus, people will get to see both of these performers for a price that they would usually pay to see only one of them. This will definitely be a show that nobody will want to miss."

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