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**SNOWMASS VILLAGE ANNOUNCES FULL MUSIC LINE-UP  
FOR CHILI PEPPER & BREW FEST JUNE 8-10, 2007  
From Bluegrass to Reggae, "Pepper Hill" rocks with music legends**

Snowmass Village, Colo. -- Snowmass Village is thrilled to announce the final line-up of music for the Chili Pepper & Brew Fest June 8-10, 2007, which includes The David Grisman Quintet, the Del McCoury Band, Spencer Durham, Papa Mali, Ziggy Marley, Sweet Sunny South, and Smokin' Joe Kelly.

Officially kicking off the Aspen/ Snowmass summer season, this hot young festival in its 4th year offers prestigious microbrew and International Chili Society competitions and tastings and jalapeno hot music.

"From bluegrass to reggae, up-and-coming musicians to beloved legends, this festival is the best music line-up yet, thanks to our Event Contractor Josh Behrman," says Town of Snowmass Village Marketing Director Susan Hamley. "Add in the chili and microbrew components and it's easy to see why the festival has become such a popular way to kick off the summer."

**FESTIVAL SCHEDULE:**

**FRIDAY**

**CHILI:** The International Chili Society's Front Range District Chili Cook Off and Tasting. ICS cooks square off in this sanctioned district level competition in the categories of Chili Red, Chili Verde and Chili Salsa followed by public tastings.

**MICROBREWS:** Over 40 elite national microbreweries compete in the professionally judged Best Summer Ale competition. Party Pass holders are invited to the following public tasting.

**MUSIC:**

**Sweet Sunny South.** Sweet Sunny South is an acoustic old-time bluegrass band that plays a unique blend of new and traditional music. Based in Paonia, Colorado, the group has performed extensively throughout the region and has a reputation for a lively stage show and great songwriting.

**The Del McCoury Band.** Del McCoury has embodied the best qualities of bluegrass since he first performed with Bill Monroe's Bluegrass Boys in the 1960s. Since then, McCoury has won 31 International Bluegrass Music Association awards. He is the leader of the Del McCoury Band, which includes sons Ronnie McCoury (mandolin) and Rob McCoury (banjo) and has produced eight albums, including the 2006 Grammy Award-winning album *The Company We Keep*.

**The David Grisman Quintet.** For more than 40 years, mandolinist/composer David Grisman has inspired a whole new genre of acoustic string instrumental music that blends swing, bluegrass, Latin, jazz and gypsy styles. Praised for his mastery of the mandolin as well as his talents as a composer, bandleader, teacher and record producer, Grisman has produced over 50 critically acclaimed acoustic music recordings (five of which have been nominated for Grammy Awards). Over the past 25 years, the David Grisman Quintet has won numerous awards and headlined at major music festivals around the world.

**SATURDAY**

**CHILI:** The 9th Annual Hot Times Regional Championship (formerly held in Cripple Creek) features prestigious regional ICS cook-offs in Chili Red, Chili Verde and Salsa followed by public tastings.

**MICROBREWS:** Party Pass holders are invited to the Grand Beer Sampling to taste microbrews from around the country.

**MUSIC:**

The Spencer Durham Group. Take one part jamband, add one part southern rock, one part blues, and mix together with a high- energy stage show and you get The Spencer Durham Group. Led by its 19-year-old phenom, the Spencer Durham Group has been compared to the Allman Brothers Band of the 1970s with its strong rhythms, bluesy slide guitar, unmistakable B-3 organ, and stirring vocals dripping with soul.

Papa Mali. Solo artist, slide guitarist, singer/songwriter and acclaimed producer Papa Mali was professionally playing funk, soul, gospel, blues, reggae, Swamp Boogie, and rock by the time he was 17. Christened "Papa Mali" during his time with the internationally acclaimed band The Killer Bees, Papa Mali's long-awaited second album was released last fall and he has worked with renowned artists including The Meters, Dr. John, Willie Nelson, Derek Trucks, and many more.

Ziggy Marley. Four-time Grammy Award-winner Ziggy Marley, who won his first solo Grammy for Best Reggae Album in 2007, is a native of Kingston, Jamaica, and son of reggae legend Bob Marley. He spent two decades as the driving creative force behind The Melody Makers, a triple Grammy-winning act with his siblings before releasing his first solo album in 2003. His style crafts a soulful blend of blues, R&B, hip-hop, and reggae and highlights his skills as a singer and songwriter. In addition to contributing on a variety of soundtracks and even venturing into acting as Bernie, the Jamaican jellyfish in the animated movie A Shark's Tale, Marley is the founder of U.R.G.E., a non-profit organization benefiting charitable children's causes in developing nations.

**SUNDAY (Free!)**

**CHILI:** Local aficionados get their chance to heat up the Mall during the popular People's Choice Chili competition.

**MICROBREWS:** Snowmass is home-brew heaven during the Locals' Home-brew Competition.

**MUSIC:** Favorite local musician Smokin' Joe Kelly, the former guitarist for Ike and Tina Turner and a phenomenal rock & roller, provides the ideal closing day soundtrack for the festival.

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The Chili Pepper & Brew Fest offers world-class chili, microbrews and music for a phenomenal price: tickets are only \$15 on Friday or \$20 on Saturday for a Festival Pass which includes access to the outdoor concerts on Fanny Hill and food, beer, and wine concessionaires. For only \$10 more (\$25 on Friday and \$30 on Saturday), a Party Pass for ages 21 and older allows unlimited access to the microbrew tastings and to sampling different types of chili each day. A \$50 weekend Party Pass is available as well. Children 12 and under are admitted free.

**Capacity is limited:** This festival is expected to sell out, so locals are advised not to wait until June to purchase tickets, which are currently on sale at [www.snowmasschiliandbrew.com](http://www.snowmasschiliandbrew.com).

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