



**GEORGE STRAIT – ACM ARTIST OF THE DECADE  
ALL STAR CONCERT  
TO BE TAPED MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2009  
AT THE MGM GRAND GARDEN ARENA IN LAS VEGAS**

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**Tickets Available NOW for Television Special with Performances Scheduled by  
Faith Hill, Toby Keith, Tim McGraw, Sugarland, Taylor Swift, Keith Urban & More  
Will Be Broadcast at a Later Date On the CBS Television Network**

ENCINO, CA (February 25, 2009) – Tickets are available now for the all star country concert television taping of **GEORGE STRAIT – ACM ARTIST OF THE DECADE** from the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009 to air at a later date on the CBS Television Network. This live concert event will feature an amazing lineup of country music superstars—including scheduled performances by **Faith Hill, Toby Keith, Tim McGraw, Sugarland, Taylor Swift, Keith Urban** and more—paying tribute to “The King of Country” George Strait and his legendary 25-year career. The show will be produced for television by dick clark productions.

The event will tape the day after the 44<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ACADEMY OF COUNTRY MUSIC AWARDS which are produced for television by dick clark productions and will be broadcast LIVE from the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas, Sunday, April 5, 2009 at 8:00 PM live ET/delayed PT on the CBS Television Network.

Only four other acts have received the Artist of the Decade honor, including **Marty Robbins** in 1969, **Loretta Lynn** in 1979, **Alabama** in 1988 and **Garth Brooks** in 1998. This marks the first time the Artist of the Decade honor will be presented as a separate television special.

**Tickets are still available to the public for this event for \$200, \$150 and \$100 through Ticketmaster.com and for any questions please email [info@acmcountry.com](mailto:info@acmcountry.com). Proceeds of all sales benefit the Academy of Country Music Charitable Fund (ACMCF).**

**About the Academy of Country Music Awards**

The 44<sup>th</sup> ACADEMY OF COUNTRY MUSIC AWARDS is dedicated to honoring and showcasing the biggest names and emerging talent in the country music industry. The show is produced for television by dick clark productions and will be broadcast LIVE from the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas Sunday, April 5, 2009 at 8:00 PM live ET/delayed PT on the CBS Television Network. Orly Adelson and R.A. Clark are executive producers, Barry Adelman is producer and Bob Bardo is executive in charge of production.

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