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The SPI WinterFest & Expo Returns to South Padre Island

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas, February 3, 2023 – South Padre Island is excited to announce the SPI WinterFest & Expo, presented by local entertainer Leslie Blasing, is set to take place February 13-14, 2023, at the South Padre Island Convention Center.

“The SPI WinterFest & Expo is a beloved event among Winter Texans and locals alike,” said Blake Henry, South Padre Island CVB Executive Director. “Leslie Blasing is a local resident and performer and does an incredible job organizing the event each year. It provides plenty of opportunities for fun, and the feel-good aspects, including the honoring of Vietnam vets and the canned goods donation drive, is an added bonus.”

The 2023 SPI WinterFest & Expo is “Honoring an Era” with a special salute and musical tribute to Vietnam Veterans. The two-day event will kick off at 10 a.m. on both days and feature dancing, music, delicious concessions, a mini-museum, vendor fair, and so much more. There will be Corny Cornhole and Goofy Golf competitions in addition to the All-Valley Karaoke Contest Finals. Door prizes will be given away every half hour, and there will be courtesy golf cart rides to and from the SPI Convention Center parking lot. Admission to the event is free, and everyone is welcome to attend. While not required, visitors are encouraged to help local food pantries with a canned goods donation.

New for 2023, the SPI WinterFest & Expo added a Valentine’s Day Dinner & Dance on Tuesday, February 14. Doors open at 6 p.m., and dinner will run from 6-7 p.m., followed by dancing from 7-9 p.m. Dinner features a Taste of Italy, and a cash bar will be available. Tickets are \$25 per person and are on sale at any of Leslie’s scheduled appearances. To view her upcoming performances, click [here](#).

For more information on the SPI WinterFest & Expo, head to www.spiwinterfest.com. To learn more about South Padre Island, visit www.sopadre.com.

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About South Padre Island

With miles of pristine shoreline and clear emerald water, South Padre Island is Texas' only tropical island paradise. Calm weather and more than 300 days of sunshine make South Padre Island a year-round destination offering a variety of nature tourism attractions, water sports, and activities for the entire family. For more information, visit www.sopadre.com.

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