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## ROBERT RANDOLPH & THE FAMILY BAND

## **FREE CONCERT**

At the 39th Annual Norfolk Harborfest on Friday, June 5, 2015 The Largest, Longest-Running, FREE, Maritime Festival In The Nation!

Norfolk, Virginia (March 13, 2015) –Norfolk Festevents announces national recording artists Robert Randolph and The Family Band will appear for a FREE concert at the 39th Annual Norfolk Harborfest on Friday, June 5, 2015 for a waterfront performance at Town Point Park, Downtown Norfolk, Virginia.

Robert Randolph & The Family Band first gained national attention with the release of the album *Live at the Wetlands* in 2002. The band followed with three studio recordings over the next eight years—*Unclassified, Colorblind*, and *We Walk This Road*—which, together with tireless touring and unforgettable performances won them an expanding and passionate fan base. Randolph's unprecedented prowess on his instrument garnered him a spot on Rolling Stone's "100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time" list, and also attracted the attention of such giants as Eric Clapton and Carlos Santana, who have collaborated with him on stage and in the studio.

Most recently, Randolph has attempted to amplify the tradition from which he came by executive producing the Robert Randolph Presents: *The Slide Brothers* album, a recording which features some of the older "sacred steel" players from the House of God church who inspired him to pick up an instrument.

With a new label, a new dedication to his craft, and a new sense of responsibility in his life off-stage, it seems like *Lickety Split*, his new album, might also represent the urgency Robert Randolph is bringing to all of his efforts these days.

The 39th Annual Norfolk Harborfest is free and open to the public and takes place Friday, June 5th to Sunday, June 7th, 2015 at Town Point Park on the Downtown Norfolk Waterfront. The largest, longest-running, free maritime festival in the nation is three explosive days of tall ship visits, national, regional and local entertainment, electrifying fireworks show, and the biggest outdoor dock party in Hampton Roads. Visit <u>festevents.org</u> or call 757-441-2345 for up to date event information.

Other national artist performing at Norfolk Harborfest previously announced include: Delta Rae, Sunday, June 7 Plain White T's, Sunday, June 7

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