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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**What:** Harvest Festival  
**Where:** Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum on Lakeland Drive  
**When:** 9:00 am – 2:00 pm - November 6-10, 2012

### **Small Town Mississippi Comes to Life at Harvest Festival**

Step back in time at the Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum on Lakeland Drive in Jackson. The annual Harvest Festival will take place on November 6-10 as Small Town Mississippi comes to life each day from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Live demonstrations throughout the museum grounds will give visitors a glimpse of Mississippi's past and show the impact agriculture has made on our lives. Demonstrations will include the operation of the cotton gin, saw mill, cane mill, grist mill, blacksmith shop, and print shop. Complimentary biscuits will be given to everyone participating in the festivities.

The exhibits inside of the museum give visitors the opportunity to see how agriculture has changed throughout the years from the methods and equipment used in farming with horses and mules to the invention of tractors, and visitors can discover the role that agriculture aviation has played in the agriculture industry at the National Agricultural Aviation Museum housed inside the Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. The model train exhibit, featuring three gauges of model trains depicting life along the rails in Mississippi, is a must see.

Train and wagon rides will be available each day for \$1 per rider. Stop by the General Store for snacks and souvenirs and visit the barnyard animals. Saturday only, see a special display of antique tractors and hit-and-miss engines. Admission is as follows: Adults: \$5, Senior Adults (ages 60 and over): \$4, Children ages 5-18: \$3, and Children ages 3-4: \$1. For more information, please contact the Museum at (601) 432-4500 or 1-800-844-8687 or visit our website at [www.msagmuseum.org](http://www.msagmuseum.org).

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