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Register at ibma.org or by calling 1-888-GET-IBMA, and then make your hotel reservations!

Registration for IBMA's World of Bluegrass Events and hotel reservations will open March 1, 2013, for bluegrass music's annual industry gathering and family reunion in Raleigh, North Carolina. The five-day event will feature the best in bluegrass networking, showcasing and professional development, with lower prices across the board for all tickets and hotel rates.

Please call 1-888-GET-IBMA or go to www.ibma.org ^[2] to purchase World of Bluegrass Registration, IBMA Awards tickets and Wide Open Bluegrass weekend festival passes and Showcase Passes?and then call or go online to make reservations in our hotel block with discounted rates. We'll be starting with four-night minimum stays at The Sheraton Raleigh Hotel and the Raleigh Marriott City Center.

The business conference part of World of Bluegrass will feature new tracks for music presenters, emerging bands and youth, along with expanded showcase opportunities and a pro-active effort to reach out to new attendees in the roots music community, as well as local bluegrass fans in the Carolina region.

The festival Friday and Saturday, Sept. 27-28 will be called "Wide Open Bluegrass" this year. Attendees will hear bands that play full throttle, "wide open," driving, traditional-edged bluegrass alongside edgy bands that draw from old-time string band, progressive, classical and jamgrass influences.

The entire community in Raleigh is eagerly awaiting World of Bluegrass, and plans are in the works already for banners in the street, fireworks, a North Carolina Pork Barbecue Championship, a public street fair surrounding IBMA weekend events, presentations at local schools, youth events, transportation options, music in local clubs and cafes, nearby camping?and more.

World of Bluegrass 2013 will take place at the Greater Raleigh Convention Center, the Duke Energy Center for the Performing Arts, and the Red Hat Amphitheater?all within easy walking distance. Evening Showcases will take place at the Raleigh Convention Center and at several venues in town?just blocks away or a five-minute ride on the "R-line" bus.

Call to reserve your place at IBMA's World of Bluegrass 2013, today!

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