

CMT LINES UP BIG PREMIERES FOR NOVEMBER WITH RETURNING FAVORITE 'REDNECK ISLAND' ALONG WITH NEW SERIES 'CHAINSAW GANG' AND 'BIG TEXAS HEAT'

Series Premiere Back to Back Beginning Saturday, November 10 at 9p ET/PT

NASHVILLE- October 15, 2012 – CMT heats up Saturday nights with a big night of premieres featuring the returning favorite, REDNECK ISLAND pro wrestling hall of famer Steve Austin, at 9:00 p.m., ET/PT, followed by the premieres of two new series CHAINSAW GANG at 10:00 p.m., ET/PT and BIG TEXAS HEAT at 10:30 p.m., ET/PT, all beginning Saturday, November 10.

REDNECK ISLAND returns for a second season with fourteen red, white and blue-collared Americans descending on Steve Austin's tropical island for their chance to win a \$100,000 prize. In the first episode, the contestants think they're on easy street when they see that their living conditions are better than expected, but they soon realize the competition is serious during their first challenge, a game of human cornhole. New episodes of REDNECK ISLAND will premiere weekly at 9:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., ET/PT.

Next up is the new series CHAINSAW GANG featuring chainsaw artist Stacy Poitras, who leads a rag-tag bunch of the country's premier chainsaw artists that battle blades breaking, chainsaws bursting into flames and agitating each other as they manage to deliver incredible works of art, all while having a really good time. At heart a passionate artist that studied at the prestigious school of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, Poitras first began experimenting with chainsaw sculpture while in school and has perfected his art over the last 25 years at his Malibu-based company, Deadwood Tree Sculptures. New episodes of CHAINSAW GANG will premiere weekly at 10:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m., ET/PT.

Lastly, CMT presents the new series BIG TEXAS HEAT which brings the larger-than-life humor of one small-town Texas police force to TV. Each half-hour episode of the workplace reality series follows the on and off-duty antics of the police department in the tiny town of Trinity, population 2,697. They may not have the world's highest crime rate to contend with, but keeping their small town safe from danger is a full-time job for this fun-loving crew. New episodes of BIG TEXAS HEAT will premiere weekly at 10:30 – 11:00 p.m., ET/PT.

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