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### **Island View Casino debuts Rushlow in the Round summer songwriter series**

GULFPORT, Miss. (June 27, 2014) – Island View Casino Resort will strike a chord with guests this summer with a unique songwriters series featuring country music chart-topping singer Tim Rushlow.

Rushlow in the Round, which began in Nashville as a one-man show by the former Little Texas lead singer, is coming to Island View on July 15, Aug. 13 and Sept. 16. However, this version of the acclaimed unplugged format will bring the concept to a new level by including country singers and songwriters personally invited by Rushlow to join him in performing, sharing stories and interacting with the audience.

A Country Music Association and Academy of Country Music award-winning artist, Rushlow, who spent years touring in elaborately orchestrated productions, envisioned the series as a creative counterbalance. Through his take on what it would be like to perform in his living room for a few close friends, he strives to make a more personal connection with the audience.

“One of the great joys of music is that it is meant to be shared, and when you can take that idea down to an intimate, uncluttered, unconstrained format, a performance effortlessly unfolds into a whole new experience for both the artist and the audience,” said Rushlow. “Having performed at Island View twice in the last two years to some of the most enthusiastic and responsive fans I’ve encountered, I feel like the time is right to bring Rushlow in the Round, featuring some of my favorite songwriter friends, to the View Showroom stage.”

Joining Rushlow for the Island View shows will be songwriters Kent Blazy and Danny Myrick in July and Tony Arata and Billy Dean in August. Guest artists for the September show will be announced soon.

Tickets for all shows, which begin at 7:30 p.m., are \$15 and can be purchased on TicketMaster.com or by calling 877-774-8439. All shows are general admission and guests must be 21 or older.

*Editor’s note: For more about Rushlow in the Round, go to: <http://vimeo.com/98952565>.*

**About Island View Casino Resort:** Island View Casino Resort opened Sept. 18, 2006 as the only casino in Gulfport, Miss. The land-based casino, located on 40 acres of waterfront property, currently offers an 80,000-plus-square-foot casino with

approximately 2,000 slots and 46 table games. The 520,000-square-foot resort also features a 567-room hotel with a tropical pool and cabanas; Carter Green Steakhouse, the resort's signature restaurant; Beach Blvd. Steamer, a 180-seat restaurant focusing on freshly steamed seafood; C&G Grille, offering contemporary, casual dining; The Buffet, a 400-seat restaurant; The Coffee Shop, an upscale deli; Coast Candymakers, featuring handmade candies; and The View Showroom, a 600-seat entertainment venue. Island View Casino Resort is privately held by Rick Carter and Terry Green, two Gulfport natives and longtime casino executives committed to the post-Hurricane Katrina rebuilding efforts of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. For more information: 877-774-8439 or [IslandViewCasino.com](http://IslandViewCasino.com).