

Atchison, Amelia Fireworks, in running for nation's #1 (KAIR)--Atchison's annual Amelia Earhart Festival fireworks closer, the "Concert in the Sky," again places Atchison in the running to be deemed one of the "Best Places to See Fireworks," nominated by the USA Today 10Best Reader's Choice awards.

That's according to a release from Amelia Earhart Festival Coordinator, Jacque Pregont, who says, with the support of millions of Earhart admirers casting votes, she thinks the festival fireworks "can fly to the #1 spot in the nation," adding that "it will be a tremendous and timely honor to take the top spot, especially as the world celebrates Amelia's record breaking flight...when she became the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean on May 21, 1932."

Online votes can be cast by the public once each day, on both desktop and mobile devices, until 10:59 on the night of May 12. Winners will be announced May 21.

The link to cast your online vote can be found [here](#).

Hosted in front of Earhart- childhood home on a bluff overlooking the Missouri River, the annual "Concert in the Sky" 28-minute spectacular fireworks show draws an estimated 30,000 visitors from around the world to celebrate Earhart- July 24, 1897 birth in Atchison. The fireworks serve as the closer each year for the festival named in Earhart's honor. It's produced by Stellar Fireworks, Inc., a Wichita-based fireworks company that produces what the release calls "award-winning pyrotechnic experiences to captivate crowds across the country, including the "Stadium of Fire" in Provo, Utah."

The annual festival is set for July 17-19, including the annual ticketed kickoff concert, Friday Night Music at the Riverfront, on July 18, featuring headliner Neal McCoy, with the fireworks held the following night, Saturday, July 19.

The "Concert in the Sky" will follow a full day of family friendly Amelia-themed activities that Saturday in Atchison. Beginning around 9:30 that night, the fireworks will again follow an evening aviation aerobatics performance at 7:30, with those events, free to the public, hosted at the Riverfront Park in Atchison. Produced near Atchison's Amelia Earhart Bridge, the Concert in the sky is choreographed to music which is simulcast on KAIR 93.7 FM to allow listening no matter where the fireworks can be viewed.