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Garth Brooks Boxed Set is Single Biggest Music Event in Wal-Mart History

Garth Brooks: The Limited Series achieved Gold status in first day of sales

Bentonville, Ark., November 29, 2005 – With crowds of fans lining up at 5 a.m. on “Black Friday,” its first day of release, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. announced today that *Garth Brooks: The Limited Series* boxed set has become the top selling music item in the company’s history after only three days availability in stores. This boxed set has achieved Wal-Mart’s highest volume of sales ever for the first day of a musical release. As a result, *Garth Brooks: The Limited Series* achieved Gold status, more than half a million copies sold, the first day it was available for purchase in Wal-Mart and SAM’S CLUB locations.

Brooks, named the Recording Industry’s Artist of the Century before retiring from performing in 2001, unveiled his new boxed set on Nov. 10th during an appearance on “The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.” Preorders on Walmart.com (www.walmart.com) reached record-breaking results on the site prior to its launch in stores.

Garth Brooks: The Limited Series boxed set is exclusive to Wal-Mart and SAM’S CLUB locations around the U.S. and Canada. The boxed set is being released as a limited edition set and only limited quantities are available.

“Garth Brooks’ fan appeal is tremendous,” said David Porter, Wal-Mart vice president for merchandise. “And for Wal-Mart to be able to bring our customers a unique set of music that includes one CD of music that’s never been released before plus so much more... it doesn’t get much better than this for Garth fans! And since this is a limited series set, once it’s gone; it’s gone ... and it’s going fast!”

Garth Brooks: The Limited Series boxed set features five and one-half hours of music on five CDs including a *Lost Sessions* CD with 11 previously unreleased Garth recordings and a 90 minute all-access DVD with behind-the-scenes footage and a gallery of more than 150 photos. Seventy tracks are featured from *Sevens*, *Scarecrow* and a 2-disc *Double Live* CD that is packaged with one of three new commemorative double live collector covers. In addition, the boxed set also contains a 68-page booklet with lyrics and color photos. The boxed set retails for \$25.00 and is available exclusively at Wal-Mart, SAM’S CLUB, Walmart.com and GarthBrooks.com (www.garthbrooks.com).

The boxed set also includes Brooks’ recent Billboard Country Chart hit, “Good Ride Cowboy,” written to honor Brooks’ good friend, Chris LeDoux. “Good Ride Cowboy” was released at radio in October and is currently at #5 on the Billboard Country Charts in the U.S. and #2 in Canada.

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