

Variety shows perform at Riverfest celebration

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Families visiting Riverfest this year will see a juggler and fire-eater roam around the grounds again as well as a new variety act that includes a man dressed up as a trout and as a bee.

Randy Johns will dazzle fest-goers at the event with his act of juggling and eating fire all while riding a unicycle. He also walks on stilts while juggling and interacting with the crowd.

Jacob Mills will perform for the first time at Riverfest showing off his comedic humor and acts as the roving bee and stuffed trout.

“Jacob is what we call a modern day vaudevillian,” Louie Higgins, booking agent, said. “He does a lot of different things

but we are just featuring two of his acts, the trout and the bee.”

Families will be surprised to see Mills walking through the

Riverfest grounds in a 12 foot stuffed trout costume. Higgins said he interacts with the crowd making jokes and banter.

As a professional actor and physical comedian, Mills has been associated

with national television performances with other parts of his profession.

He also created the Wild Rumpus Circus Day Camp held in Mazomanie that is offered during the first week of August. At the camp he teaches hundreds of children how to be a clown, how to stilt walk, trapeze, juggle and tumble.

