

TO FAIRGROUNDS

Rising band Midland headlines Clatsop County Fair

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hen it comes to the Clatsop County
Fair Board's perspective about having
award-winning country music group Midland in concert, chair Mike Autio provides an apt summation: "We were pretty fortunate to get them."

Midland, performing Friday night at the 2019 Clatsop County Fair, includes lead vocalist Mark Wystrach, guitarist Jess Carson and bass player Cameron Duddy. After the success of their freshman album, "On the Rocks," they are looking forward to the release of a second album, "Let it Roll," on Aug.

If You Go

Midland

7 p.m. Friday, August 2

Clatsop County Fairgrounds, 92937 Walluski Loop, Astoria

Tickets are \$40 reserved, \$35 general seating and can be purchased in advance at Lewis and Clark Bank, M & N Workwear, Teevin Brothers, Lum's Auto Center and online at bit.ly/2JSoklO 23. Jackson Michelson will open for the band.

Their debut single, "Drinkin' Problem," earned the band Grammy nominations for Best Country Song and Best Country Duo/Group Performance in 2018. They followed that up with being named New Vocal Group of the Year at the 2018 American Country Music Awards. The band recently performed on Jimmy Fallon's The Tonight Show on NBC.

It was after their ACM performance that the Fair Board — struggling to make progress nailing down a group for this year's concert — identified Midland as a top pick, Autio said.