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CUTLINE: Chosen as one of CMT's 2016 Next Women in Country, singer Carly Pearce will be featured in a free concert Nov. 12 at Southern State Community College in Hillsboro.

Free CMT Concert at SSCC/Hillsboro on Nov. 12

Country Music Television is coming to Southern State Community College in Hillsboro for a free concert featuring Carly Pearce who recently was recognized as one of CMT's 2016 Next Women of Country.

Join us 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, in the Edward K. Daniels Auditorium on SSCC's Central Campus, 100 Hobart Drive, Hillsboro. The event also includes a performance by local musician James Scott, as well as a Community+College Resource Fair.

Southern State was one of just 15 schools selected to partner with CMT Empowering Education, an initiative to encourage viewers, no matter their age, to enroll or re-enroll in school to reach their full potential. The CMT event at Southern State is a component of ongoing efforts by CMT Empowering Education, the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC),

and the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) to raise visibility for rural education and workforce challenges.

Kentucky native Carly Pearce fronted a touring bluegrass band at the age of 11, later leaving her high school and moving to Pigeon Forge, Tenn., to perform at Dollywood at the age of 16. Since moving to Nashville in 2009, Pearce has shared the stage with artists such as Hunter Hayes, Florida Georgia Line, and Gary Allan, toured with “Pretty Little Liars” star Lucy Hale as backup singer, performed as a regular artist at the legendary Bluebird Café, and made her Grand Ole Opry debut in May.

Seating is limited; pick up your free tickets at SSCC/Hillsboro or Ohio Means Jobs Highland County. To learn more about CMT Empowering Education, visit www.cmtempoweringeducation.com/. For more information about the Nov. 12 event, visit www.sccc.edu/assets/cmt-concert-poster.pdf or call SSCC Director of Public Relations Kris Cross at 1-800-628-7722, x2676.