



music and have since garnered a host of accolades and awards in that genre alone.

For the Branson shows, expect a revue of our favorite Osmond hits—country, pop, soft rock—or as siblings Donny & Marie would sing on their famous TV Show—“a little bit country—a little bit rock ‘n roll!”

And for November and December, it's a given—based on everything we've seen and experienced from The Osmonds through the years, spending an afternoon or evening with them over the holidays will be memorable, for entertaining us has been their life, and as all the world knows, none do it better.* ✦



Osmonds Trivia

- Rocketed to stardom on NBC's *Andy Williams Show*
- They were the original boy band and the original American idols, dominating the music scene throughout the 70s and all over the world.
- Inspired the Jacksons to form *The Jackson Five*. They later became close friends.
- Brothers Alan, Wayne and Merrill wrote many of their hits
- Sold over 100 million albums
- 51 records went either gold or platinum
- The Osmond's have a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame
- Jimmy recently toured the UK playing Billy Flynn in the Broadway musical *Chicago*



That Osmond tradition of world-class entertainment and spectacular productions which exploded into what the press called “Osmondmania” over fifty years ago—comes back to Branson in force this September.

Once they were teen idols in the world's original boy band, yet even now, 50 years later, it's heady times for Jay, Jimmy and Wayne Osmond. After a world tour lasting nearly two years, their ears are still ringing from the roaring screams of adoring fans who sold out nearly every venue from Europe to Asia, a flashback to the years when they were breaking attendance records once held by Elvis and The Beatles! (Many of those electrifying live performances of late will be released in a double DVD set titled *Access All Areas*.)

In the wake of all that adulation, however, the boys have still given high priority to a Branson return, very mindful and appreciative of the love and support Branson audiences have always shown The Osmonds throughout the many years they performed and made their homes here. Says Jimmy, “We're excited to have the opportunity to continue entertaining our many friends who come from all over the world to see us here in beautiful Ozark Mountain Country.”

The qualities that rocketed them to stardom as kids are the same qualities that captivate The Osmonds' audiences today. From day one, their showbiz colleagues dubbed them the “one-take-Osmonds” for their tireless rehearsing and the extraordinary professionalism they displayed even at their tender years. Those qualities charted a path in the show business world the likes of which has never been seen before or since.

They were singing barbershop at Disneyland

An optional lunch or dinner is available with The Osmonds Show which includes a **SPECIAL GROUP RATE!**



Return of The OSMONDS

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After a glorious 50th Anniversary Tour that kicked off on *Oprah* and took them to sell-out crowds all over the world, Jay, Jimmy and funnyman Wayne bring it all home to Branson!

back in 1962 when they were spotted by the father of TV and singing star Andy Williams. That resulted in the boys' first appearance on the legendary *Andy Williams Show* on NBC. The Osmonds were an immediate sensation. Within hours, the network was deluged with viewer mail demanding the boys to appear again. Consequently, The Osmonds became a fixture of the show.

From the start, the boys demonstrated the versatility of their tight, brotherly harmonies, easily flowing from pop to jazz and later to country and rock. They bucked the norm by shaping their careers on that versatility rather than concentrating on one particular style. Besides being able to sing just about anything, between them they mastered over 25 musical instruments!

After reigning several years as the world's top teen idols, the brothers again bucked the trends, forming their own band, playing their own instruments, writing their own songs and running their own TV and recording studio. In later years they focused on country

Appearing with The Osmonds Award-winning vocalist Babette Young

Voted *Branson's Female Vocalist of the Year*, Babette is a Branson favorite celebrating her 16th year as the featured vocalist with The Osmonds. Describing her voice, entertainer Dave Hamner says “Hers is the most natural country voice I've ever heard and seriously, one of the most beautiful voices you will ever hear anywhere.” As an added treat, Babette joins Jimmy Osmond as they recreate many of the great duets performed originally by Donny and Marie Osmond. **Babette Trivia:** Babette is a devout Christian, a dedicated Mom, and with her husband Nolan owns five Branson restaurants! (See their restaurants in the ad on page 5!)

