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'Best Vocal' nominees play in grandstand

PORT ANGELES — The versatile style of "Chris Hillman and the Desert Rose Band," a group recently nominated for "Best Vocal Group" by the Academy of Country Music, will head the grandstand entertainment Friday at the Clallam County Fair.

Showtimes are 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Cost is free, with admission to the fair.

A variety of talents back the Desert Rose band, one of whom is a former musician with "The Byrds." Chris Hillman began his career with the Byrds, who recorded such hits as "So You Want to Be a Rock and Roll Star" and "Turn, Turn, Turn."

Other band members include Herb Pedersen, John Jorgenson, Jay Dee Maness, Steve Duncan and Bill Bryson, all of whom have their own impressive list of credits.

Together, the six musicians have blended their country, blues and rock-style backgrounds to put out a new roster of accomplishments. Their 1988 album "Running" yielded their three No. 1 singles: "Summer Wind," "I Still Believe in You," and the John



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Hiatt penned "She Don't Love Nobody."

Their just-released fourth single "Hello Trouble," a remake of a Buck Owens hit, gave the Desert Rose Band

an Academy of Country Music nomination for "Best Vocal Group" of 1989.

Hillman and the Desert Rose Band opened in 1985 in Los Angeles. They

began performing at a festival event, went on to a couple of club bookings and cut their first record in April 1987. They've since recorded the second album "Running" and seven singles.