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## Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau MEDIA ALERT Sheena Brook to perform in first Songs from the Sand virtual concert series Feb. 18

**What:** The Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB), iHeartMedia and Cat Country 107.1 welcome **Sheena Brook** to the first *Songs from the Sand* virtual concert series at the Pink Shell Resort & Marina.

With the sun setting on Fort Myers Beach, enjoy acoustic music and conversation as Brook tells her stories behind the songs to host Miriam Dotson, VCB communications manager.

The new *Songs from the Sand* – recorded and inspired by *Songs from the Sofa* on Instagram Live – gives music lovers a chance to see the beautiful beaches of Southwest Florida in anticipation of <u>Island Hopper Songwriter Fest</u>, Sept. 17-26, 2021.

When: 8 p.m. (EST) Thursday, Feb. 18

Where: Island Hopper Songwriter Fest Facebook page

**Why:** To celebrate with one of the singer-songwriters who will perform at Island Hopper Songwriter Fest, Sept. 17-26, 2021, on Captiva Island, historic downtown Fort Myers and Fort Myers Beach. On the third Thursday of every month, watch for a new *Songs from the Sofa* or *Songs from the Sand* so you can experience a quality performance in your own home.

**Who:** Sheena Brook, BMI singer-songwriter and Fort Myers Beach native, captured the nation's attention on NBC's Season 12 of "The Voice." Since appearing on the show, Brook has worked with multi-platinum songwriters and artists to further her creativity in her unique style as both artist and songwriter. The Island Hopper alum is also the founder of The F.E.M. (Female Empowering Musicians) an organization that hosts events to allow the support of women and provides an outlet for their own special creativity.

*Songs from the Sofa* history: The Instagram live event made its debut in May 2020 with music sensation Sam James. The monthly live performances have included Jay Allen, Maia Sharp,

Dave Pahanish, Ben Allen, Clint Daniels, Parmalee, Danny Myrick and Bridgette Tatum. These performances are archived on the <u>Island Hopper Songwriter Fest Instagram page</u>.

**For more information:** Please visit https://islandhopperfest.com/

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Island Hopper is produced by the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau, iHeartMedia, Cat Country 107.1 and BMI, the largest music rights organization in the U.S. Visit IslandHopperFest.com or access the media tool kit. Follow the festival hashtag #islandhopperfest as well as the event's Instagram, Facebook and Twitter feeds.

\*Sheena Brook photo attached