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# Kim Cameron to play National Cherry Blossom Festival for the sixth year in a row

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The National Cherry Blossom Festival is in full swing in Washington D.C.. The three week annual event celebrates spring and the blooming of the cherry blossom trees in the nation's capital. The schedule of events include free live musical, cultural and dance performances by artists from all over the world. AXS sat down with singer and Cherry Blossom Festival regular Kim Cameron of Side FX to talk about the festival and the evolution of dance music.

**AXS [Christa Emmer]:** How did you get involved with National Cherry Blossom Festival?

**Kim Cameron:** Wow, it's been several years now...I think my first performance with the festival was in 2009, and it was freezing. My booking agent at the time arranged for the performance and now, it seems to be a yearly treat for me! I love the Cherry Blossoms. Sometimes, I am lucky and actually get to perform when they are full bloom...and others...well...not so much. Those pesky flowers!



**AXS:** The dance/club scene has become centered around DJ producers, how has that changed the music you make?

**Kim Cameron:** I started out as a DJ in a club, so in my mind, the music scene has just come full circle again. I really love the DJs given my background. They support me and I want to support them. I think what I offer is a great compliment to what they provide. My best shows involve both a DJ and my band. I think those are the dream gigs. My newly released album *No Regrets* I hope, takes things in a different direction. I wanted to create a fresh sound for the dance floor instead of the typical 128 BPM synth ensemble type of sound. Most of these tracks on the album are in the 104-122 BPM, but with a super cool vibe and groove that still lights up a dance floor. Let's see if the DJs agree!

**AXS:** Are you working on any new projects?

**Kim Cameron:** With this album *No Regrets* only a few days old, I have been on this mad rush to get the music videos finished. I have been releasing one every couple of weeks. Three more are on the way...which was a lot of work! But, I just received the actual 'hard' copies yesterday. That made me smile.

**AXS:** What is the "dream" venue you would like to play someday?

**Kim Cameron:** I very much would love to perform at Ultra next year. But, I also would love to perform at Red Rocks. They don't really do dance acts there, so I would love to break ground in such a beautiful setting.

[Side FX and Kim Cameron](#) will be playing at the Tidal Basin stage on Wednesday, Apr. 8, 2015 at 3 p.m.. Live performances run from noon to 6 p.m., daily through Apr. 12 at the Tidal Basin. For a full lineup and schedule of performances, visit [nationalcherryblossomfestival.org](http://nationalcherryblossomfestival.org).

