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## Concert review: Bamboozle Festival 2011 Day 3

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This past Sunday was the third and final day of the Bamboozle Festival, which took place at the Meadowlands sports complex from April 29 to May 1. The busiest of all three days, security was noticeably increased from Friday and Saturday to accommodate the mammoth crowd.



Bruno Mars at Bamboozle Festival 2011 Day 3

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New Jersey State Policemen lined up along the Saints and Sinners Stage just before glam hip-hoppers Insane Clown Posse's set. Over at the Jumbo stage, Event Security helped pull overheated kids up and over the barricade to the relief of open air just before A Day To Remember played. Though Taking Back Sunday and 30 Seconds to Mars had huge crowds on the prior evenings at the same stage, on Sunday you could actually feel heat coming off the mass of smushed-in fans.

The larger numbers on Sunday can be attributed to the day's diverse lineup's hardcore fans. Besides Insane Clown Posse's infamous "Juggalos and Juggalettes" turning out to see a rare festival appearance from the duo, diehard Motley Crue-heads also came out as well as the teenage squealing fans of pop star Bruno Mars. Bamboozlers were also delighted to see Further Seems Forever reunited on the Zumiez stage and a surprise appearance by Jack's Mannequin at Jumbo. The genre-mixing produced interesting crowds for each group. Surely Bruno Mars isn't used to seeing painted clown faced Juggalos in his audience?

But the night clearly belonged to Lil' Wayne, who drew so many audience members to Jumbo, that some found out it was easier to watch from the parking lot through the property's fence than to try to battle for a good spot to see through the huge mob of heads. And if at the end of their long day they weren't in the mood to wave their "triggers" in the air with Lil' Wayne, they caught the very cute pop-rock band Any Time Today at the small Aquarian stage play a killer cover of Pat Benatar's "Hit Me With Your Best Shot."

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