



## THE FAIR AT THE PNE UNVEILS ELECTRIFYING SUMMER NIGHT CONCERTS LINEUP

### For Immediate Release

**Vancouver, BC** – Summer's biggest concerts are right around the corner, as The Fair at the PNE's Summer Night Concerts are set to take the stage at the PNE Amphitheatre nightly, this August. An eagerly anticipated part of The Fair at the PNE, this year's Summer Night Concerts feature an exciting array of artists that are sure to please fans of all genres. Whether you're a fan of the oldies, dancing with pop stars, rocking out, or getting down to R&B legends, the 2016 Summer Night Concerts have something for you!

The Summer Night Concerts will run nightly at 8:30pm\* in the PNE Amphitheatre, starting Saturday, August 20 with KiSS RADiO WHAM BAM featuring Hedley, and will close Monday, September 5 at 8:30pm with 'Wicked Games' crooner Chris Isaak!

### 2016 Summer Night Concerts Line-up

#### **Saturday, August 20 – KiSS RADiO WHAM BAM featuring Hedley**

KiSS Radio WHAM BAM is a one-day pop music celebration, featuring hometown heroes Hedley and a full lineup of live performers to be announced over the coming months. This year, for the first time ever, the one-day pop music event KiSS Radio WHAM BAM is coming to Vancouver.

*\*2-10 PM, KiSS RADiO WHAM BAM concert-goers must purchase Fair Gate admission in addition to concert tickets to gain entrance to the PNE Amphitheatre. The concert will **not** be free with Fair Gate admission.*

#### **Sunday, August 21 – Alan Doyle & The Beautiful Gypsies**

Alan Doyle, actor, producer, newly-minted best-selling author, and best known as lead singer of Newfoundland's beloved Great Big Sea, released his second solo album, *So Let's Go*, in 2015. Title-track "So Let's Go" is a rousing rallying cry that's only further proof of Doyle's ability to draw the listener under his banner.

#### **Tuesday, August 23 – The Sheepdogs**

Trends come and go, styles fall in and out of fashion, but The Sheepdogs remain steadfast in their commitment to rock n' roll excellence. Since their inception, the band has always sought to play the kind of music they themselves love: "Pure, simple, good-time music," as singer/guitarist Ewan Currie puts it. It's no surprise, then, that the band's fifth LP, *Future Nostalgia*, is firmly rooted in the rock tradition that listeners have come to expect from the boys.

#### **Wednesday, August 24 – Steve Miller Band**

Steve Miller has delivered hit after hit since his days as part of the psychedelic San Francisco movement of the 60s, and throughout the rocking 70s: "The Joker," "Livin' in the USA," "Take the Money and Run,"

"Rock'n Me," "Fly Like an Eagle," "Jet Airliner," "Jungle Love," and "Abracadabra" among them. To this day, these songs are instantly recognizable when they come on the radio – and impossible not to sing along to.

#### **Thursday, August 25 – Simple Plan**

With nearly 10 million records sold worldwide, Simple Plan is one of Canada's most successful punk-pop acts. Just after wrapping up a two-year-long tour in support of 2011's *Get Your Heart On!*, multi-platinum-selling pop-punk band Simple Plan spent another two tireless years creating a follow-up album that captures the classic Simple Plan spirit but boldly stretches the limits of their sound.

#### **Friday, August 26 – Olivia Newton-John**

With a career spanning over five decades with more than 100 million albums sold, Olivia's successes include four Grammys, numerous Country Music, American Music, Billboard and People's Choice Awards, an Emmy Award, ten #1 hits and more than 15 top 10 singles. She recently scored another #1 hit, this time on the Billboard Dance Club Songs chart with her daughter Chloe Lattanzi – becoming the first mother/daughter duo to top this chart.

#### **Saturday, August 27 – FOREIGNER**

With ten multi-platinum albums and sixteen Top 30 hits, FOREIGNER is universally hailed as one of the most popular rock acts in the world with a formidable musical arsenal that continues to propel sold-out tours and album sales, now exceeding 75 million. Responsible for some of rock and roll's most enduring anthems including "Juke Box Hero," "Feels Like The First Time," "Urgent," "Head Games," "Hot Blooded," "Cold As Ice," "Dirty White Boy," "Waiting For A Girl Like You," and the worldwide #1 hit, "I Want To Know What Love Is," FOREIGNER continues to rock the charts more than thirty years into the game.

#### **Sunday, August 28 – Culture Club**

Overwhelming excitement and outstanding reviews of Culture Club's performances from last year's mini-tour across the U.S, has driven the group to announce their first full tour in over 12 years. Known for dominating the charts worldwide with their classic hits including "Karma Chameleon," "Do You Really Want To Hurt Me" and "Miss Me Blind" the show will feature the 4 original band members for an unforgettable night of music.

#### **Tuesday, August 30 – MONSTER TRUCK**

With a no-frills style that mixes groove, sludge, stoner rock, and vintage sounds, the high-energy combo has made friends in high places by celebrating the simplest and also the finest things in life. In the time since their debut, they have played blistering shows supporting the mighty Guns n' Roses, Slash, Alice in Chains, ZZ Top, Buckcherry, Rival Sons and Vista Chino.

#### **Wednesday, August 31 – A Tribe Called Red**

Bursting forth from Canada's capital, native Producer/DJ crew A Tribe Called Red is producing a truly unique sound that's impacting the global electronic scene and urban club culture. Since 2010 the group – currently made up of DJ NDN, Bear Witness and Zoolman – has been mixing traditional pow wow vocals and drumming with cutting-edge electronic music.

#### **Thursday, September 1 – Dru Hill with Sisqo, Nokio, Jazz & Tao, 20th Anniversary**

From their first single that asked the ever important question, "Tell Me" (what you want), Dru Hill has been giving fans what they need in the form of numerous classic love ballads and infectious dance songs that have provided countless beautiful memories for millions upon millions of music lovers the world over. With a some of the most popular R&B songs of all time including "Tell Me", "5 Steps", "In My Bed", "Never Make a Promise", "How Deep Is Your Love", "These are the Times", and "We're Not Making Love No More", that are considered by many music experts to be standards that help define the 90's.

### **Friday, September 2 – Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo: We Live For Love Tour**

Spanning more than four decades, Benatar's career helped pave a path for other female rock stars around the world. Giraldo's innovative vision helped him create Benatar's signature sound from its inception. He has written, produced, arranged and recorded more than 100 songs for her as well as helped create hits for other artists including John Waite, Rick Springfield, Kenny Loggins and more.

### **Saturday, September 3 – Tim Hicks**

In 2013, he was the #1 highest selling digital Canadian Country Artist of the Year and Most Played Debut Artist overall at Country radio. Since, he has been honoured with a 2014 Canadian Radio Music Award for Breakthrough Artist of the Year, the 2014 CCMA Rising Star Award and 2014 Fan's Choice nominee. His most recent release 5:01 garnered him another Gold single with 'Here Comes The Thunder' and spawned his 2015 Get A Little Crazy national headline tour.

### **Sunday, September 4 – The Monkees - GOOD TIMES: THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR**

The Monkees celebrate their fiftieth anniversary with a tour of North America (featuring original members Micky Dolenz and Peter Tork) and the release of their first album in nearly 20 years, *Good Times!*, featuring a previously unreleased recording of a song entitled *Love to Love* written by Neil Diamond in the 1960s. In less than a year, The Monkees enjoyed 12 Top 40 hits, including three number ones, *Last Train To Clarksville*, *I'm A Believer* and *Daydream Believer*.

### **Monday, September 5 – Chris Isaak**

Isaak, who has a reputation as a supreme showman and one of the funniest live performers today, is a non-stop touring Grammy nominated singer-songwriter, actor and talk show host. With his stellar bandmates, Silvertone, Isaak's haunting voice, fierce guitar, and glittered outfits, Isaak has entertained fans for decades.

### **Prices & Seat Reservation**

General Admission to Summer Night Concerts is FREE\*\* with admission to the Fair.

Concerts are FREE with admission but starting Friday, May 27 at 10am, super fans will have the opportunity to purchase a limited number of reserved seats starting at just \$15. Reserved seats can be purchased online or onsite from the ticket booth located outside the venue entrance within the fairgrounds.

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### **About the PNE**

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