



## **PNE PARTNERS WITH PACIFIC NORTHWEST CONCERT PROMOTER TO PRESENT NEW OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES**

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Vancouver, B.C.: The Pacific National Exhibition is pleased to announce an exciting new partnership with Monqui Presents of Portland, which will see leading musical acts across a number of genres perform at the PNE's seated outdoor festival area, the PNE Amphitheatre.

*"This is an exciting collaboration with one of the most respected live music event promoters in the Pacific Northwest," says the PNE's President and CEO Mike McDaniel. "This collaboration brings the renowned Monqui outdoor amphitheatre concert series to Canada for the first time."*

The series currently has its first date confirmed for the PNE Amphitheatre: eclectic folk-rock singer songwriter Ben Harper on July 4<sup>th</sup>, with a number of additional dates to be announced in the near future.

Information can be found at [monqui.com](http://monqui.com) or [PNE.ca](http://PNE.ca) and tickets for Ben Harper will go on sale March 9, 2012 at 10:00am PST at [www.ticketleader.ca](http://www.ticketleader.ca) or by phone at 1-888-236-2947.

For more information about the PNE visit: [pne.ca](http://pne.ca). For more information about Monqui Live Music visit: [monqui.com](http://monqui.com).

### **About PNE:**

Owned by the City of Vancouver, the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) is a healthy and vibrant non-profit charity organization dedicated to providing over 3 million visitors a year with first-class cultural, sporting and family entertainment events. Founded in 1910, the PNE operates from a 114-acre site at Hastings Park, a multi-facility venue in Vancouver where the organization operates four activity streams: an annual 17-day Fair, Playland Amusement Park, maintenance and care of the Hastings Park site and management of the site's year-round facilities. These facilities are utilized to celebrate a variety of hockey, amateur sporting, music, community, social, cultural and commercial events throughout the year.

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**About Monqui Presents:**

Since forming in 1983, Monqui Presents, the leading independent Northwest concert promoter has produced hundreds of thousands of shows, selling millions upon millions of tickets from Eugene, Oregon to Vancouver, British Columbia. Monqui's only booking agenda along the way is, and has been, to bring amazing artists, of every musical genre from country to indie rock and everything in between, to music fans in the Northwest. Headquartered in Portland, Oregon, Monqui owns and operates Portland's Wonder Ballroom and exclusively books Portland's Doug Fir Lounge plus Oregon's top two outdoor amphitheaters: Bend's Les Schwab Amphitheater and McMenamins Historic Edgefield in Portland.

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