

100TH FAIR AT THE PNE A CANDY LOVER'S DREAM

Specialty Exhibit Takes Visitors on a Journey Through North America's History as a Pioneer in the Confectionary Industry

Vancouver, B.C. – Get ready to celebrate the history of some of North America's sweetest candy concoctions when the 100th Fair at the PNE welcomes for the first time the *IT'S A CANDY NATION* exhibit. *IT'S A CANDY NATION*, produced by Stage Nine Entertainment of Sacramento, California, celebrates North America's leadership in developing many of the world's favourite sweet treats. Take a nostalgic journey through the candies we loved as kids and still enjoy today.

"What better way for the PNE to celebrate its storied history than to offer an exhibit that showcases the history of something as fun and well-liked as candy?" says PNE President and CEO Mike McDaniel. "This is a spectacular presentation that will have your mouth watering long before you get to the end!"

IT'S A CANDY NATION is the largest traveling exhibit of its kind in North America. Exhibiting candy companies include:

- Dare Foods
- Jelly Belly Candy Co.
- See's Candy
- PEZ
- Wrigley's
- Adams & Brooks
- Just Born
- American Licorice Co.
- National Confectioners Association
- and many more!

IT'S A CANDY NATION celebrates North America's rich candy-making history. Featured in the exhibit is a huge candy mountain, complete with a candy factory with all the "smells" you would associate with such a sweet exhibit. In addition, there will be a seasonal candy display, a vintage candy store, collections of vintage candy boxes and gumball machines and antique candy-making equipment. *IT'S A CANDY NATION* also features several interactive exhibits including items from the movie "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory".

About Stage Nine Entertainment Group

Stage Nine Entertainment Group, owned by Troy Carlson, is a full-service developer of creative, unusual exhibits for permanent or temporary display. Creative exhibits are on regular display inside of Stage Nine Entertainment Store and G. Willikers Toy Emporium in Old Sacramento as well as Wall Drug in Wall, South Dakota. For more information on developing a custom, creative display for your business, please visit Stage Nine Entertainment Store at 916-447-3623 or www.stagenine.com.

For more information about the Fair at the PNE visit: <u>www.pne.ca</u>.

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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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