



## PNE STAR SHOWDOWN COMPETITION ANNOUNCES FINALISTS

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**Vancouver, BC:** The Fair at the PNE has announced the finalists for the annual PNE Star Showdown talent competition, featuring some of the most gifted and captivating performers from all around British Columbia. With \$10,000 in prize money up for grabs this year, the contestants will need to give it their all to claim the 2014 Star Showdown title.

The finals will be held on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at the Chevrolet Performance Stage from 4:30pm to 5:30pm, where the top three contestants from each category will compete.

### Kid's Division Finalists

**1st Place** – Brandon Jong, 10, Vancouver. Performed “Etude Allegro” piano solo.

**2nd Place** – Eric Sun, 8, Delta. Performed solo hip-hop dance routine.

**3rd Place** – Emma LeBlanc, 12, Anmore. Performed “Love Song”.

### Youth Division Finalists

**1st place** – Alyssa Gutierrez, 16, Surrey. Performed “If I Ain't Got You”.

**2nd place** – Pierre Camba, 17, Richmond. Performed “Phunkdified” acoustic guitar solo.

**3rd place** – Brianna Carniel, 14, Port Moody. Performed “Taylor, the Latte Boy”.

### Adult Division Finalists

**1st Place** – Des Larson, 24, Vancouver. Performed “Ocean High, Ocean Low”.

**2nd Place** – Colin Bullock, 30, Vancouver. Performed “Fast Cars”.

**3rd Place** – Devon Busswood, 21, North Vancouver. Performed “The Wizard and I”.

For more information about the PNE visit: [www.pne.ca](http://www.pne.ca)

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 15-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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