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## 99<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL THE FAIR AT THE PNE HIRING 1,500 EMPLOYEES DEADLINE FOR ONLINE APPLICATIONS IS SATURDAY, JUNE 20

Vancouver, BC – The Fair at the PNE, one of BC's most beloved summer traditions, is hiring **1,500 seasonal employees** for its 17-day run from August 22 to September 7. Featuring exciting nightly musical entertainment, hundreds of shows and attractions, thrilling rides, and lots of family fun, the Fair is not only a great place to visit, it's a great place to work!

The Fair is looking for positive, energetic people who enjoy working in a fun, safe and challenging environment. **More than 40 job categories**, ranging from barn hands to bartenders to guest services personnel are waiting to be filled. The Fair employs high school and post-secondary students, adults and seniors and anyone else aged 15 years and older, with several categories for applicants aged 19 or older.

The Fair is the perfect 'first job' in that it provides exceptional training and customer service skills that will be of great value now and into the future.

"The PNE has a tradition of being a first job employer for generations of British Columbians," says the PNE's Vice President of Human Resources, Jeff Strickland. "Unlike most employers, the PNE doesn't require job experience to get job experience, if you have a good attitude and a willingness to work, we will find the right job within our organization and provide the training for the applicant."

Wages range from \$9.66 - \$15.30 per hour and vary depending on the department and the skills and abilities required by the job. View wages for each position and apply online at <u>www.pne.ca</u>. **Deadline for applications is Saturday, June 20.** 

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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 Hasting 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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