

INTERNATIONAL SAND SCULPTURE COMPETITION AND DEMONSTATION 2010 FAST FACTS

Location: This year the sand sculptures competition has expanded to three sites located across from each other on the north side of Spirit Plaza on Miller Drive and one between these and the display sculpture.

Description: The PNE is proud to host the 6th Annual International Sand Sculpture Competition at the 2010 – 100th Anniversary of the Fair at the PNE! The Sand Sculptures will take place on historic Miller Drive starting Wednesday August 25th.

The demonstration piece is located on the Miller Drive point, just east of the Department of National Defence exhibit.

The International Solo Sand Sculpture Competition will get underway on August 25th. This expanded competition will bring **15 International Sand Sculptors from Ireland, Netherlands, Latvia, Indonesia, Russia, Italy, United States, United kingdom and Canada to compete for the 2010 Pacific National Exhibition's International Title.** Judging of the competitors' works will take place on August 29th at 2:30 pm with the awards at 4:30 pm. With the competition growing to ten competitors, we have added a 5th place win.

Event Schedule:

August 15 - 20 Preparation/Set-up of Competition Site

August 21 – 28 Demonstration Piece

August 25 – 29 2010 PNE International Sand Sculpture Competition

Event Organization:

David Billings – Canada: Event Organizer/Professional Sculptor (www.sandemons.com)

Sand Sculptor Competitors:

- Alexey Schitov Russia
- Fergus Mulvaney Ireland
- Joris Kivits Netherlands
- Pavel Mylinkov Russia
- Sean Fitzpatrick US
- Stephane Robert Canada
- Kirk Rademaker US

- Uldis Zarens Latvia
- Niall Magee Ireland
- Anique Kuizenga Indonesia
- Helena Bangert Netherlands
- Michela Ciappini Italy
- Craig Mutch Canada
- Baldrick Buckle UK
- Susanne Ruseler Netherlands

Competitors Work Schedule:

August 25 – 28 10:30 am – 6:30 pm August 29 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Judging to take place on August 29th at 2:30 p.m. by three randomly selected judges. Prizes to be presented at the competition site on August 29th at 4:30 p.m.

Prizes:

1st Place - \$2,500.00 2nd Place - \$2,000.00 3rd Place - \$1,500.00 4th Place - \$1,000.00 5th Place - \$500.00

For more information on this year's event or past and future events, please contact www.Sandemons.com.

For more information about the Fair at the PNE visit: www.pne.ca.

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