



Pacific National Exhibition

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'06 FAIR FULL OF STREET ENTERTAINMENT

For Immediate Release

Vancouver, B.C.: Building on the success of the 2005 Fair at the PNE Street Stars program, guests to the 2006 event will be treated to even more live, busker-style entertainment throughout the Fairgrounds.

"We've engaged the top street performers in the Pacific Northwest to build our roving entertainment program around," says PNE Creative Director Patrick Roberge.

Each day of the Fair will feature fifteen live street acts at a variety of locations throughout the fairgrounds.

Catch popular local entertainer the **Checkerboard Guy** outside the Forum building during one of his three daily shows (11:30am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm). Over two decades of manipulating everything from flaming torches, 13th century battle axes and even stinky shoes, often while balancing on top of unicycles, tight ropes or unsupported eight-foot tall aluminum ladders means that an incredibly high level of skill is second nature to the Checkerboard Guy.

New to the PNE's Street Stars program is **Spring Action Trampoline**. With three shows daily (12:30pm, 2:30pm, 5:00pm) at Exhibition Plaza, Sean McManus, Heather McManus, Jenny Reid, and Mylaine Dore will thrill you with their finesse in the air! These championship jumpers will make you giggle, groan, and scream with laughter. Look out for such high-flying tricks as double somersaults!

Dan the One Man Band will be featured at the Agrodome Plaza for two shows daily (12:00pm and 1:30pm) and at Exhibition Plaza for an additional 4:00 pm daily show. Dan's genuine love of music, his humour, and his connection to those around him are what make his show special. Dan has a show the whole family can enjoy!!

Mike Battie's Physical Comedy Show takes place three time daily (3:30pm, 5:00 pm and 7:30 pm) at the Agrodome Plaza. This versatile entertainer is a PNE favourite! Mike is known as a physical comedian and an all-around nice guy.

Fairgoers can see the **Mike Wood Comedy Show** three times daily (5:00 pm, 6:00pm and 7:30 pm) outside the Forum Building. Expect a pasty, lanky, funny guy to crack wise and catch a catapulted cabbage on a spike on his head. Get ready to laugh, and prepare to see Mike do things you didn't think were thinkable. For more information about this year's Fair at the PNE (August 19-September 4, 2006) visit 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 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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