

# THE FAIR AT THE PNE RELEASES 2018 ENTERTAINMENT LINEUP

## Fantastic New Programing, Beloved Returning Favourites, and World Renowned Musical Acts

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**Vancouver**, **B.C.** — The Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) has released its line-up for the **2018 Fair at the PNE**, British Columbia's most beloved summer event and an annual tradition for thousands of families across the province. Showcasing a diverse entertainment line-up, internationally acclaimed musical performances, and rides and attractions, this year's Fair is sure to be the most exciting yet.

"A cornerstone of summer in British Columbia, the Fair at the PNE is one of the province's most highly anticipated and beloved family events," says Mike McDaniel, President and CEO of the Pacific National Exhibition. "The 2018 Fair at the PNE will deliver an exciting line-up of new exhibits, while providing top-tier entertainment for the best ticket value in the province."

Highlight's of this year's Fair at the PNE include Knights of Valour, Action Sports All-Stars with X Games athletes, an exhibit exploring the intersection between pop culture and technology, and a new line-up for the Summer Night Concerts.

## **Summer Night Concerts**

PNE Fair goers will enjoy sensational performances this year including Pop, Rock, Country, and R&B as well as throwback 80s and 90s concerts.

The Summer Night Concerts will run every evening that the Fair is open, starting on Saturday August 18th in the PNE Amphitheatre and are FREE with admission to the Fair. Superfans can acquire reserved seating at each of the shows; visit www.PNE.ca for more details.

Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>
Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>
Air Supply
Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>
Dean Brody

Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> Goo Goo Dolls

Thursday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> I LOVE THE 90's TOUR Featuring Salt-N-Pepa with

Spinderella, All-4-One, Color Me Badd, and Young

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Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup> Wilson Phillips
Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> Marianas Trench

Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> LOST 80's LIVE featuring A Flock of Seagulls, Men

Without Hats, Wang Chung, Farrington & Mann (original vocalists from When in Rome UK),

Animotion and Nu Shooz

Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

Kool & the Gang

Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup> Jann Arden

Friday, August 31<sup>st</sup> Burton Cummings and Band

Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup> Chicago

Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> Village People Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> Cyndi Lauper

## **New 2018 Entertainment and Attractions**

## **Action Sports World Tour**

Pacific Coliseum, Daily, at 4:30-5:15; 8:00-8:45pm

Cheer on the world's best professional skateboarders and BMX riders as they perform mind-boggling aerial stunts on a state-of-the-art half-pipe at the Pacific Coliseum. You'll have to witness with your own eyes what these amazing X Games veterans are capable of. Stick around after the show for an opportunity to meet some of these incredible athletes for autographs and photos!

## **Knights of Valour**

Agrodome, Daily

Prepare yourself for entertainment worthy of a King and Queen. With full contact, unchoreographed, real live jousting, Knights of Valour is a thrilling show of horsemanship, bravery and chivalry like you've never seen before. Come and see your knights in shining armour as they ride into battle – it's positively medieval!

## POPnology™

Rollerland, Daily

POPnology celebrates and explores some of the greatest works of popular culture inspired technology, innovation and imagination in history. POPnology features several interactive elements, including the world's first 3D printed car, the Sojourner Rover and the Opportunity Rover from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, futuristic musical instrument technology, hands on robotics and much more! The exhibit also examines how newly inspired technology will impact human life well into the future.

## The Lost World of Dragons

Garden Auditorium, Daily

For thousands of years, one magical, mythical creature has captured the hearts and imaginations of cultures around the world. The Lost World of Dragons celebrates the wonder of these creatures. Visitors will be immersed in the dragon stories that appear in the lore and history of nearly every region and culture, from Norway to ancient China.

### Street of Dreams - a classic and custom car show

Miller Drive, Daily

Walk the Street of Dreams, a classic and custom car show unlike anything else you've experienced. This invitational exhibit is not your Sunday cruise in. Stroll through Vintage Lane to see timeless classics given a new lust for life, with hot rods, the low-and-slow, and the 'muscle'. Produced by 360 Fabrication Inc, this is an invitation-only event featuring the best of the best.

#### ARCY LIVE! - Live Event Mural

Festival Park, Daily

Known for his paint splashed style of large scale street art, Ryan 'ARCY' Christenson will be creating *LIVE* mural art, celebrating iconic moments from the Pacific Coliseum, as we celebrate the building's 50th Anniversary.

## **Festival Park Nights**

All sets: 7:00-8:00; 8:30-9:30pm

#### Dr. Strangelove

August 18, 19, 21, 22

Dr. Strangelove is a highly entertaining, high energy and versatile dance band with five talented lead vocalists who can cover everything from Frank Sinatra to Lady Gaga to ACDC. They take requests all night long, keeping the dance floor packed and guests engaged... all with a sense of humour!

#### Side One

August 23, 24, 25

Side One is a dynamic and high energy, award-winning dance band. Known for covering a wide array of styles and genres seamlessly, you can expect to hear all your favourites, classic and current- bring your dancing shoes!

### Vancouver's Legendary R&B Allstars

August 26, 28, 29, 30

Vancouver-based R&B Allstars, after a 10 year recuperation from groove fatigue, reformed in mid 2013. The original band, in their signature white tuxedos, first opened for Long John Baldry at Ohara's.

#### **Groove & Tonic**

August 31, September 1, 2, 3

Vancouver party band Groove & Tonic deliver a high energy performance of R&B, Disco, Funk, Rock and Pop with a repertoire of both old school and contemporary. Always engaging, these musicians showcase their top-notch musicality and infallible grooves every time they perform. This is Vancouver's hottest party band, and they'll get you up and dancing!

## **NOVA: The Emergence of Light**

Nightly, 10:15-10:30pm

This nightly finale is a one-of-a-kind, futuristic light show you won't want to miss. Immersed in a giant dome, this show is a breathtaking performance that combines cutting-edge visual effects with incredible live performers and magical feats. This visual experience will take your breath away – you have to see it to believe it!

#### **Celebration Plaza**

## The Checkerboard Guy

Daily, 2:30-3:00; 4:30-5:00; 7:30-8:00pm

The Checkerboard Guy has been racking up awards with his exceptional laughter-inducing, audience-engaging show. The unconventional world of imagination, spun by this mischievous instigator is one part inspired insanity, one part interactive game, one part skilful demonstration, and one hundred percent infectious fun.

## **Magic Brian**

Daily, 1:30-2:00; 3:30-4:00; 6:00-6:30pm

Magic Brian is an internationally acclaimed, award-winning performer that will have you laughing hysterically one moment and gasping in awe the next. It's a high-energy, interactive comedy-magic sideshow with plenty of surprises – including a record-breaking escape from a real straitjacket and 40 feet of chain.

## **Returning Favourites**

## The President's Choice SuperDogs Presents Happy Barkday

Pacific Coliseum. Daily

12:30-1:15; 2:30-3:15; 6:00-6:45pm

The President's Choice SuperDogs is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> birthday with an extraordinary show, featuring all the fun and excitement audiences have come to expect from four decades of SuperDogs spectacles! You'll laugh, you'll cheer, and you'll fall in love with these amazing dogs as they unleash their most memorable show ever! Fast paced, interactive, heart-warming and hilarious!

## **PNE Prize Home**

Tours Daily 11 am-10 pm

British Columbia's most affordable home lottery is back. One of the Fair's most beloved attractions, the PNE Prize Home grand prize features a gorgeous 3,025 sq. foot 'West

Coast modern' style house that will be relocated for the lucky winner to the Okanagan, following the 2018 Fair.

This 3-bedroom, 2.5 bath home includes a dry sauna, two outdoor living decks and a home theatre room, and comes fully furnished with the latest tech, appliances and furniture. Prize home tickets are available as follows: two tickets for \$25, six tickets for \$50, and 15 tickets for \$100. The 2018 Grand Prize Home Package is valued at more than \$1.8 million.

#### **Festival Park**

#### Canada Showcase

12:00-12:30; 2:00-2:30; 5:00-5:30pm

Join us for a cultural mosaic of dynamic dancers, exhilarating musical performers and other special guests! This celebration of Canada's diverse cultural landscape will delight fair-goers of all ages and backgrounds.

#### The Silver Starlets

12:30-1:00; 3:00-3:30; 5:30-6:00pm

The Silver Starlets are an all-female aerial acrobatic show full of glitz, glam and glitter. With a 20-foot tall, freestanding trapeze rig as a stage, they'll twist, tumble, bend, climb and fall. These are ladies of incredible athleticism and strength. You'll be cheering, laughing and dancing along with them!

## **Toon City Stage**

#### Mermaid Tales

Daily, 1:00-1:30; 3:00-3:30; 5:30-6:00pm

Take a trip under the ocean and into the magical world of the famous Mermettes, the ocean's biggest pop sensation! Come swim with the jellyfish, snorkel through the kelp and join the fun in the mermaid musical celebration!

#### Safari Adventure with Action Austin

Daily, 2:00-2:30; 4:00-4:30; 6:30-7:00pm

Are you ready for a safari adventure? Join Action Austin, together with the help of his friends, on a deep safari in search of the missing pink star diamond! This musical stage show is perfect for the whole family!

#### **Dueling Pianos**

Celebration Plaza, Nightly, 7:00-8:15; 9:45-11:30 pm; until midnight on weekends Ladies and gentlemen, back by popular demand, it's Dueling Pianos! Every night, two piano players go head to head and raise the roof with great music. Request your favourite tune, sing along, raise a glass and hit the dance floor – every night at the Plaza Beer Garden!

## **Dates and Prices**

The 2018 Fair will run from August 18<sup>th</sup> until September 3<sup>rd</sup> and will be closed on August 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Open 11am until late.

	Gate Price	Online Price
Fair Gate Pass (14-64 years old)	\$18.00	\$15.00
Fair Senior Gate Pass *(65 years+; Available onsite and online only)	\$9.00	\$7.00
Fair Child Gate Pass (13 years and under)  *A maximum of five children aged 13 & under will be admitted free per one paying adult 21 years of age or older)	FREE	FREE
Fair Ride Pass (Over 48" tall)	\$46.75	\$43.75
Fair Ride Rapid Pass Add-On*	\$25.00	\$25.00
Fair Junior Ride Pass (Under 48" tall)	\$35.75	\$32.75
Fair Season Gate Pass	N/A	\$45.50
*\$3 savings until Aug 17. Available online only		
Fair Gate and Ride Combo Pass Online	N/A	\$55.75
After Dark Gate Pass *Available only at on-site ticket booths after 9pm daily	\$6	N/A
Twilight Ride Pass *Available only at on-site ticket booths after 5pm Tuesday through Thursday	\$30.75	N/A
Fair Ride Coupons \$1.85 each or 30 coupons for \$47.75* Available for sale onsite only. Each ride requires 4 - 8 coupons per ride/per rider		N/A
Pinwheel Deals Coupon Book  Offering over \$350 in Fair-wide savings! *Available only at on-site ticket booths  ONLINE SPECIAL: Purchase any Fair Pass online by July 31st and receive a voucher for a free Pinwheel Deals Coupon Book with every order!	\$2	N/A

Note: Save up to \$12 on passes at 7-Eleven, Safeway, Save on Foods, Pricesmart foods and Urban Fare.

## Ways to Save

- Heroes' Opening Weekend August 18-19, 11am Late
  - o FREE gate admission for First Responders and a guest.
  - Promotion is valid for current and retired police, RCMP, paramedics, firefighters and military plus one guest. First Responder must present a valid First Responders service card at the gates. Guest does not require a service card.

- FREE Gate Admission for all Guests August 21&28, 11am 1pm presented by YVR
  - Re-entrance hand stamps will only be given after 1pm. Guests are welcome to re-enter the gates prior to 1pm without hand stamp.
- Wild Ride Wednesdays August 22&29, 11am 1pm
  - Purchase 2 Ride Passes for the price of 1! Only available onsite on the day of the promotion.
  - Does not apply to ride coupons or complimentary passes
- Library Day August 22, 11am Late presented by Tim Hortons
  - Show any BC library card and photo ID to receive \$6 gate admission!
- Seniors' Day August 23, 11am Late
  - Seniors 65+ receive FREE gate admission and FREE Ferris Wheel rides (West Coast Wheel)
- Labour Day
  - Labour Day Celebration presented by Vancouver & District Labour Council
- BCAA Members save more!
  - Special Member Savings on online Fair Gate & Ride Passes. Learn more at bcaa.com/pne

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

#### About the PNE:

Owned by the City of Vancouver, the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) is a healthy and vibrant non-profit 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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