

2025 PNE FAIR SHINES WITH BLOCKBUSTER NEW SHOWS AND BELOVED FAVOURITES

B.C.'s largest ticketed event continued its tradition of creating memories for hundreds of thousands of Fair fans

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Vancouver, B.C.: British Columbia's most beloved and well-attended ticketed tradition came to a close Monday evening as the 115th year of the PNE Fair wrapped up after 15 days of creating memories with 612, 404 guests who attended from August 16th to September 1st.

"We're incredibly proud of the success of the 2025 Fair," says Shelley Frost, President and CEO of the PNE. "Despite the economic uncertainty being experienced across our Province, this year's mix of new attractions, returning favourites and an outstanding Summer Night Concerts lineup really connected with our guests. With construction continuing on the new Freedom Mobile Arch, our team embraced the opportunity to creatively reimagine our spaces, and the feedback from our visitors about their experience at this Fair has been fantastic. We can't wait to welcome everyone back in 2026 to experience the completed Arch, which will usher in an exciting new era of entertainment at the PNE."

In total, the 2025 Fair remains British Columbia's largest ticketed event, with this year's attendance of 612, 404! (2024 Fair attendance: 637,920, 2023 Fair attendance: 626,531, 2022 Fair attendance: 529,772, 2021 Fair attendance: 239,000)

PROGRAMMING WELL RECEIVED BY FAIRGOERS

The 2025 PNE Fair delivered an unforgettable lineup of entertainment and attractions, all included with admission, that captivated guests of all ages. Highlights included nightly Music in the Park on the Freedom Mobile Stage, the return of fan favourites like the SuperDogs with their new "Wild Wild Woof" show, the high-flying I-FLIP acrobatic spectacle, the laugh-out-loud Flying Fools High Dive Show, the interactive Dueling Piano Kings, and the fiery Remix Inferno —

A Pyro Music Spectacular. Families flocked to the Big Backyard, Kidz Discovery Farm presented by Tim Hortons, and Farm Country to enjoy hands-on agricultural fun, while street performances from the PNE Pep Band, Disco Ballers, and Mariachi Los Dorados brought energy to every corner of the Fairgrounds. New highlights like the Sands of Wonder international sand sculpting showcase and the KC Bear All-Canadian Street Party added to a truly vibrant summer celebration.

The Summer Night Concerts program, held in the Pacific Coliseum due to ongoing construction of the new Freedom Mobile Arch, delivered a diverse and unforgettable musical experience in 2025. The lineup featured standout performances from global stars including Counting Crows, Bleachers, the Gipsy Kings featuring Nicolas Reyes, Flo Rida, Leon Bridges, Sean Paul, Wilco, Foreigner, Tom Cochrane, Meghan Trainor, Atif Aslam, and Rainbow Kitten Surprise. Canadian favourites Mother Mother and pop-rock icons Marianas Trench lit up the stage, while genre legends like Foreigner and Lynyrd Skynyrd thrilled rock fans. The concerts continued to showcase the Fair's commitment to world-class entertainment, drawing enthusiastic crowds and reaffirming the PNE as a top summer music destination.

And the PNE was pleased to welcome the Tatus Festival on August 29th and 30th. Presented by internationally respected indigenous led not-for-profit Canoe Cultures, this special two-day festival of indigenous music, art, food and culture was a highlight of the Fair.

PNE PRIZE HOME TO BE DRAWN SEPTEMBER 8TH

The 2025 PNE Prize Home built by **Miracon Developments** showcases exquisite architectural craftsmanship and artisanal interior design by **Brown & Co.**

Valued at 2.50 million dollars, the home is fully furnished by Yaletown Interiors, energy efficient with the support of BC Hydro, with smart technology supplied by Samsung, a Husqvarna yard care package, and an EV charger in the 2-car garage.

The expansive floor plan boasts 3292 square feet of crafted living spaces over three levels, including 3 bedrooms, 3.5 bathrooms, a library, whiskey tasting room, and a legal 2-bedroom basement suite.

In addition to the Grand Prize Home, entries are also eligible for extraordinary extras including Chevrolet and Cadillac vehicles, a Woody's RV travel trailer, cruises with Holland America, a Beachcomber hot tub, a Trev Deeley motorcycle, and five \$10,000 cash prizes.

Draw Date: Monday, September 8th, 2025 Time: Live Draw at 6:30 p.m. sharp

Location: Pacific Coliseum floor

Parking in the bus loop on the west side of the Pacific Coliseum or in Gate 6, off Renfrew Street.

2025 PNE FAIR BY THE NUMBERS

ENTERTAINMENT

- 1,485 Entertainer costumes washed
- 49 Performances of "Pink Pony Club" during For The Love of Drag show
- 17 Elvis Impersonators at the Fair
- 99,510 Hockey pucks were shot at the Big Backyard rink activation
- 7,200 Flips by the I-Flip crew
- 2,250 Dives by the Flying Fools High Divers
- 127 Indigenous artists showcased at the Tatus Festival
- 235,042 Dog loving Fair guests who attended a SuperDogs show
- 4 x 10⁹ Grains of sand used in the Sands of Wonder Sand Sculpture display

FOOD

- 180,000 Perogies sold at International Perogies during the Fair
- 800 Loaves of sourdough bread used Mom's Grilled Cheese Truck to make grilled cheese
- 22,400 Dubai chocolate mini donuts sold at The Mini Donut Factory
- 100kg Pistachios crushed for the Dubai Funnel Cake sold during the Fair
- 2,000 Veggie corn dogs sold
- 3,000+ Hand wrapped bacon hot dogs sold
- 5,000+ Onions hand sliced and cored for Blooming Onions sold during the Fair

- 40 kg Chocolate used in the chocolate fountain at We Love Chocolate
- 136,000 Lemons squeezed to make lemonade
- 60,280 Chicken strips served
- 24,000lbs BC Kennebec potatoes used at Unroutine Poutine

<u>Playland</u>

- 37,440 Pucks shot at PNE's new hockey game Snap Shot
- 53,900 Moles whacked at Whac-A-Mole
- 380,400 Targets hit at the Bonanza Shooting Gallery
- 507,600 Fish caught and ducks picked
- 417,648 Stuffies awarded

<u>AGRICULTURE</u>

- 102 Animals sold in the 4-H Auction (37 hogs, 26 sheep, 8 goats, and 31 steers)
- \$336,680.07 Total sales for the 4-H auction
- 72 Animal breeds at the Fair
- 2,090lbs Feed eaten by the animals during the Fair
- 216 Chicks born during the Fair
- 5,846 Pony rides given
- 33,934 Bows shot at the archery range
- 55,115 Pounds of manure removed from the livestock barns
- 42 km Distance ran by pigs in Pig Races
- 18 gallons Milk consumed by baby piglets
- 18,223 Children tried life as a farmer in Discovery Farm

PNE PRIZE HOME

\$2.5 million — Value of the PNE Prize Home Grand Prize package

500 – Average number of times per day a PNE Prize Home ticket seller calls out "Win A House, Win A Car!"

91 – Years of the PNE Prize Home Lottery, the oldest charitable lottery in BC

GENERAL FAIR

563 km — Driven by the PNE Express train

24,393 — photos taken by the PNE photography team

2 — First World War cannons on display at the Fair (they were unexpectedly discovered during excavation work for the new Freedom Mobile Arch earlier this year)

1,010 — Mini paddles were painted at Canoe Cultures

600 — Bags of Cedar tree shavings taken home by Fair guest from the Canoe Cultures display

1 — Master Carver (Mike Billy Senior, doing Indigenous canoe carving demonstrations at the Fair)

5 – Amazing stories of the 2025 Fair by PNE "Special Consultant", the legendary Mike McCardell

PNE PHOTOS: LINK

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About the PNE:

The PNE is a dynamic non-profit organization that welcomes over 2 million visitors annually through world-class cultural, music, sporting, and family events, along with year-round access to public recreation space. Founded in 1910 and based at Hastings Park in Vancouver, the PNE operates the annual PNE Fair, Playland Amusement Park, park and facility maintenance, and a wide range of events throughout the year. Owned by the City of Vancouver, the PNE reinvests all revenues into park space, community programming, and inclusive educational and entertainment experiences.

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