



## **PNE Unveils First-Ever Summer Night Concerts Lineup at the All-New Freedom Mobile Arch**

*Fair Admission included in ticket price!*

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**Vancouver, B.C.** — In the first of a series of scheduled announcements this week, the PNE is proud to announce the first five shows in the 2026 Summer Night Concerts, marking the inaugural concert season at the brand-new Freedom Mobile Arch. The state-of-the-art, open-air venue is set to redefine live music in Vancouver.

Running from August 22nd to September 7th, 2026, the Summer Night Concerts are one of the most anticipated programs of the annual PNE Fair and will officially christen the Freedom Mobile Arch as Western Canada's newest premier outdoor concert destination. Purpose-built for world-class live performances, the amphitheatre offers enhanced sightlines, premium acoustics, and an unforgettable fan experience.

This year's lineup celebrates legendary icons, Canadian trailblazers, and global superstars across rock, pop, hip-hop, alternative, orchestral, and more, with Fair admission INCLUDED with the purchase of every concert ticket.

### **2026 Summer Night Concerts Launch with Canadian Icons, Alt Rock, Rappers and International DJ Performers**

#### **August 22 – Blue Rodeo**

Celebrating over 40 years of making music, Blue Rodeo remains one of Canada's most beloved and influential bands. Their legacy is woven into the fabric of Canadian music and in 2023 they delivered a memorable final performance that closed the historic PNE Amphitheatre. In a fitting full-circle moment, they will now open the Summer Night Concerts at the Freedom Mobile Arch, ushering in a new era of live music at the Fair.

Emerging in the early 1980s with a distinctive blend of country and rock, Blue Rodeo carved their own path with hits like "Try" and the landmark album *Five Days in July*, which became one of the best-selling Canadian albums of all time. Their commitment to authentic songwriting and musicianship has earned them a devoted national following.

Over four decades, the band has received numerous JUNO and CCMA Awards, sold millions of albums, and been inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame and Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame—cementing their status as true Canadian music icons.

### **August 23 - The Guess Who**

The Guess Who are one of Canada's most iconic rock bands, emerging from Winnipeg to achieve international success with a string of chart-topping albums and singles. Their landmark release *American Woman* and enduring hits like "These Eyes," "No Sugar Tonight/New Mother Nature," and "No Time" helped define the sound of late '60s and early '70s rock.

Led by the unmistakable voice and keyboard work of Burton Cummings alongside Randy Bachman's signature guitar style, the band became a driving force in bringing Canadian rock to a global audience, earning dozens of charting singles across North America.

In a historic moment for fans, Burton Cummings and Randy Bachman reunite on stage as The Guess Who for the first time in over two decades, recapturing the sound and spirit that made them legends and celebrating a legacy that continues to influence generations.

### **August 25 - The Beaches**

The Beaches are one of Canada's most exciting alt-rock acts, carving their own path with infectious energy, sharp lyricism, and unapologetic attitude. Formed in Toronto, the band, Jordan Miller, Kylie Miller, Leandra Earl, and Eliza Enman-McDaniel, have spent over a decade building a loyal following and defining a bold new era of modern rock.

Their breakout hit "Blame Brett" became a cultural phenomenon, topping Canadian alternative radio and racking up millions of streams worldwide, while their album *Blame My Ex* showcased their signature blend of wit, vulnerability, and anthemic hooks. The band's momentum carried through a sold-out international tour, cementing their reputation as a must-see live act.

With their latest release *No Hard Feelings*, The Beaches continue to evolve, delivering a fearless and finely tuned collection that balances raw emotion with electrifying indie rock, solidifying their place at the forefront of today's alt-rock scene.

### **August 26 - Nelly**

Nelly is a multi-platinum, GRAMMY® Award-winning artist who helped define the sound of 2000s hip-hop with his signature blend of rap, pop, and R&B. Breaking out with *Country Grammar* and chart-topping hits like "Hot in Herre," "Dilemma," and "Ride wit Me," the St. Louis-born superstar quickly became one of the era's most influential and best-selling artists.

With a string of multi-platinum albums and crossover anthems, Nelly has sold tens of millions of records worldwide and earned numerous accolades, including multiple Billboard Music Awards, cementing his status as a global music icon.

Bringing his high-energy hits and undeniable stage presence to the PNE Fair, Nelly delivers a nostalgic, crowd-pleasing performance packed with the songs that defined a generation.

## **August 27 - Zedd**

Internationally renowned for his genre-blurring sound, Zedd has become a defining force in electronic music, seamlessly fusing pop, dance, and classical influences. He first rose to prominence with the GRAMMY® Award-winning hit “Clarity,” launching a career marked by innovation and global appeal.

His catalogue includes massive collaborations with artists like Alessia Cara, Selena Gomez, and Maren Morris, producing chart-dominating singles such as “Stay” and “The Middle,” which have amassed billions of streams worldwide.

A fixture on the world’s biggest stages, from Coachella to Ultra, Zedd continues to push creative boundaries with each release, cementing his reputation as one of the most dynamic and influential producers of his generation.

With the opening of the Freedom Mobile Arch, the Summer Night Concerts enter a bold new era, combining iconic artists, an immersive outdoor setting, and the energy of the PNE Fair into one unforgettable experience.

**Tickets, starting as low as \$49 + Fees (includes Fair admission), will go on sale April 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM via [TicketLeader.ca](https://www.ticketleader.ca).**

The 2026 PNE Fair runs from August 22<sup>nd</sup> to September 7<sup>th</sup>, open daily from 11am to 11pm. The Fair will be closed August 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Stay tuned tomorrow when the next five performances drop!

**For more information about PNE Fair visit: [WWW.PNE.ca](http://www.pne.ca)**

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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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