

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Pam Menhenett pmenhenett@outlook.com
Phone: 216-288-4551

2024 Air Show...Loud & Proud

Celebrating 60 Years with Historic Military Demonstrations

CLEVELAND, OH (July 10, 2024) – The Cleveland National Air Show presented by Discount Drug Mart will celebrate 60 years with historic military demonstrations including the U.S. Navy Blue Angels, U.S. Air Force A-10C Thunderbolt II, and U.S. Marine Corps F-35B Lightning II on Labor Day Weekend (August 31 & September 1, 2) at Burke Lakefront Airport.

Headlining this year's show is the U.S. Navy Blue Angels Jet Demonstration Team. Each show day the six "Blues" pilots will blaze across the skies in their F/A-18 Super Hornets flying as close as 18 inches apart. The Blue Angels flight demonstration includes the graceful aerobatic maneuvers of the four-plane Diamond Formation, high energy opposing solo maneuvers and the renowned, six-jet Delta Formation. The 2024 team includes LCDR Amanda Lee who has made history as the first woman to serve as a jet demonstration pilot on the elite Blue Angels team. The Blues are a rich part of the Air Show's history making their first Cleveland appearance in 1966, flying their F-11A Tigers.

The 2024 Air Show will mark the last performance of the iconic U.S. Air Force A-10C Thunderbolt II Tactical Demonstration in Cleveland. The A-10 was the first U.S. Air Force aircraft designed for close air support of ground forces and sports the nickname the Warthog. The first Cleveland appearance of the A-10 was in 1977 and is a part of the Air Show's rich history performing a total of nineteen times.

The U.S. Marine Corps F-35B Lightning II Demonstration Team will make its first and historical Cleveland appearance in 2024. The F-35B, replacing the AV-8B Harrier, is equipped with short takeoff and vertical landing capability. Renowned as one of the most advanced and versatile fighter jets, the F-35B will demonstrate unparalleled maneuverability and showcase cutting-edge airpower. The F-35B will be piloted by aviators from Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort.

The Air Show is Cleveland's Labor Day Weekend tradition with three days of aerial thrills. But the Air Show is more than just fancy flying-- inside the gates fans can witness Hot Streak Jet II Jet Truck race a plane down the runway and hear the incredible narration. Ground attractions also include interactive displays, kid-friendly activities, drones, and unique display aircraft.

General Admission Tickets are day specific (Saturday, Sunday OR Monday) and \$35 for adults (\$40 after 8/26/24), \$20 for children ages 6-11 and FREE for children 5 and younger. Popular seating options include Reserved Box Seats, Sponsor Boxes, Barnstormer Club and Flight Deck Loge offer a variety of amenities. Parking passes are limited and day specific (Saturday, Sunday OR Monday). Tickets and On-Site Parking are available ONLY in advance, online at www.clevelandairshow.com – NO GATE SALES.

The Air Show is a financially self-sufficient not-for-profit organization and ticket sales directly support event production costs for this Cleveland tradition. For more information, or to purchase your tickets today, please visit www.clevelandairshow.com or call (216) 781-0747.

-###-

The Cleveland National Air Show has been Northeast Ohio's Labor Day Weekend Tradition since 1964, attracting 60,000 to 100,000 visitors to Burke Lakefront Airport and making it one of the region's largest annual events. It is produced by Cleveland National Air Show, Inc. a 501(c)(4) not-for-profit Ohio corporation that relies on sponsorship and community support to offset the costs of producing the event. The Air Show has an annual economic impact of \$7.1 million+ on the City of Cleveland.