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## **New Performers Add Thrills & Comedy to 2024 Air Show**

*Air Show Features Northern Stars Aeroteam and Franklin's Flying Circus*

**CLEVELAND, OH (July 24, 2024)** – The Cleveland National Air Show presented by Discount Drug Mart takes place Labor Day Weekend (August 31 & September 1, 2) at Burke Lakefront Airport and features new performers including Northern Stars Aeroteam and Franklin's Flying Circus.

Direct from Canada and making their Cleveland debut, Air Show fans will be amazed when the Northern Stars Aeroteam take to the skies. The show starts with a dramatic opposing pass and will feature precise loops and rolls in tight, military style formation with plenty of smoke. The Northern Stars Aeroteam features three classic Pitts Specials piloted by veterans of the Royal Canadian Air Force. The team was formed by Brent Handy, who is currently the team lead of the Canadian Forces Snowbirds.

Franklin's Flying Circus will appear for the first time in Cleveland. Kyle and Liz Franklin will perform this unique comedy act. As Liz gets ready to perform in her Piper Super Cub...she jumps out to check the tail wheel. When a spectator (aka Kyle) jumps into the plane and takes off into the air. He leaves her and the audience stunned as they watch the plane perform jaw dropping maneuvers. The Franklin family has been in the air show industry for 57 years and a historic part of Cleveland's Labor Day Weekend tradition.

Bill Stein will return to Cleveland performing solo aerobatics in eye catching Edge 540. Using cutting edge paint technology, Bill has designed the spectacular look of his airplane using a paint that continuously changes color based on the constantly varying angles between the spectators, airplane, and the lighting. The visual impact of Bill's airplane is that it is a kaleidoscope of colors.

Headlining this year's show are the U.S. Navy Blue Angels. They will be joined by the final appearance of the U.S. Air Force A-10C Thunderbolt II, the first appearance of the U.S. Marine Corps F-35B Lightning II and more. Inside the gates, spectators will feel the heat of Hot Streak II Jet Truck as it races a plane down the runway. Fans can tour unique aircraft, help pack a parachute, meet a pilot and explore aviation first hand.

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 offering 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](http://www.clevelandairshow.com) – NO GATE SALES.**

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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](http://www.clevelandairshow.com) or call (216) 781-0747.

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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.