

## 2021 Air Show...Cleared for Take-Off!

Special Event Approval Granted by City of Cleveland

**CLEVELAND, OH (June 4, 2021)** – The 2021 Cleveland National Air Show presented by Discount Drug Mart will take place Labor Day weekend (Sept. 4, 5 & 6) at Burke Lakefront Airport. Planning and preparation have been proceeding for 2021 and special event approval has been granted by the City of Cleveland.

The 2021 Air Show will feature the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds. Each show day, the six select Thunderbird demonstration pilots will put their distinctive red, white, and blue F-16 Falcon jet fighters through a choreographed 50 minute performance at speeds up to 500 mph and as close as three feet from each other.

"We appreciate our fans understanding and patience during this unusual year. We will be following COVID-19 health and safety protocols in accordance with current guidelines," said Air Show Executive Director Kim Dell. "We are thrilled to be back on the tarmac. The ground attractions may look a little bit different but we will still have the awesome flying folks have come to expect."

The Air Show is Cleveland's Labor Day Weekend tradition with three days of aerial thrills. From stomach-churning aerial jumps and gyroscopic aerobatics to military jet demonstrations, fans will be on the edge of their seats. But the Air Show is more than just fancy flying-- inside the gates fans can witness Shockwave Jet Truck race a plane down the runway, hear the incredible narration, and feel the heat from explosive pyrotechnics. Ground attractions also include interactive displays, kid-friendly activities, drones, and unique display aircraft.

The Air Show is a financially self-sufficient not-for-profit organization and ticket sales directly support event production costs for this Cleveland tradition. Tickets will be available only in advance, online at <u>www.clevelandairshow.com</u> – NO GATE SALES. Fans are encouraged sign-up for the Air Show e-newsletter to receive alerts for when tickets go on sale, updates and more.

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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. For more information, please visit www.clevelandairshow.com or call (216) 781-0747.