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2021 Air Show Showcases Gravity Defying Performers

Air Show Features Kent Pietsch's Truck Top Landing, World Famous GEICO Skytypers and Adam Baker's Cleveland Debut

CLEVELAND, OH (July 28, 2021) – The Cleveland National Air Show presented by Discount Drug Mart takes place Labor Day Weekend (September 4, 5 & 6) at Burke Lakefront Airport and features gravity defying performers including Kent Pietsch's Truck Top Landing, World Famous GEICO Skytypers and the Cleveland Debut of Adam Baker.

Jelly Belly's Kent Pietsch will execute three storied acts that can only be completely seen inside the Air Show grounds. These include a dead-stick (turning the engine off) routine from 6,000 feet and a rooftop landing on a truck driving down the runway! Kent is best known for a comedy act that features a detached aileron (wing flap) and a mesmerizing wingtip-scraping pass down the runway that you must see to believe. How will fans know which plane is Kent's...just look for the jelly beans painted all over it.

The World Famous GEICO Skytypers Air Show Team is a flight squadron of six vintage WWII U.S. Navy SNJ-2 trainers. The team will perform a thrilling, low-altitude, precision-formation flying demonstration. In addition to the air show performance, the GEICO Skytypers will also "type" giant messages in the sky. Flying wingtip-to-wingtip in a line-abreast formation, the lead plane sends computer signals to each of the four other aircrafts, synchronizing smoke releases to generate 1,000' tall messages. Known as the world's largest text messages, the messages are as tall as the Empire State Building, can extend up to 8 miles in length, and are visible up to 15 miles in any direction.

Adam Baker Playful Airshows will be making his first appearance in Cleveland. Adam will perform extreme aerobatics with crisp maneuvering and heart-pounding, gyroscopic freestyle fun. Adam's plane, the Playful Extra 330, is the most recognized wrapped airplane on the air show circuit and the design is updated annually.

Headlining this year's show are the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds. They will be joined by the U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team and more. Inside the gates, spectators will feel the heat of Shockwave Jet Truck and ground shaking pyrotechnics with a Wall of Fire. Fans can tour unique aircraft, help pack a parachute, meet a pilot and explore aviation first hand.

General Admission tickets are \$30 for adults (\$35 after 8/30/21), \$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. **Tickets are available only in advance, online at 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 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.