#### **VITAL STATISTICS**

## **Washington State Spring Fair Dates**

April 11-14, 2019

Days:Hours:Thurs.2-10 p.m.

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Fri.} & 10 \text{ a.m.} - 10 \text{ p.m.} \\ \text{Sat.} & 10 \text{ a.m.} - 10 \text{ p.m.} \\ \text{Sun.} & 10 \text{ a.m.} - 8 \text{ p.m.} \\ \end{array}$ 

#### Location

Washington State Fair Events Center 110 9th Avenue SW Puyallup, WA 98371

## **Gates open during Spring Fair**

- Blue Gate (Meridian Street and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW)
- Gold Gate (corner of Meridian and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW)
- Red Gate (9<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW near 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW)
- Purple Gate (Fairview Drive between 9<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW)

#### Office Phone

(253) 845-1771

### **Information Hotline**

(253) 841–5045 (24-Hour Hotline)

### Website

www.thefair.com/spring-fair

Admission Prices On-site Online at <u>www.thefair.com</u> thru 4/11

General (ages 13+) \$12 \$10 Child (6-12 years) \$10 \$8

Kids 5 and under Always Free Always Free

### **Parking**

Thursday Free Friday, Saturday & Sunday \$10

<sup>\*</sup>Premium parking is available by reservation online at <a href="www.thefair.com">www.thefair.com</a> only, \$10-\$20.

#### **Deals & Discounts**

See "Deals and Discounts" on our site for more details on early bird online deals, discount tickets at retailers Pierce and South King counties (while supplies last), ride packages and more savings: <a href="http://www.thefair.com/deals">http://www.thefair.com/deals</a>

Sponsors: Fred Meyer, Safeway, Albertson's, O'Reilly Auto Parts, South Hill Mall

#### **MEDIA INFORMATION**

#### Media Contact

Stacy Van Horne, Public Relations Manager

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#### **Media Passes**

Please submit requests in advance for media gate access. A designated parking area is available for members of the media working under a tight deadline. Please notify Stacy so that she can provide directions. All credentials will be distributed only through the Public Relations office.

### **Logo, Photo and Special Requests**

For photos and logo shown on the website, click on "Media & News" at the bottom of the page, then select "Photo/Logos." The media user name (case sensitive) is: press login. The password (case sensitive) is: fairphotos. We have an extensive photo library, and would be glad to fulfill specific requests. Request photos from Stacy at Stacyv@thefair.com.

### **NEW THIS YEAR!**

### Ninja Experience Stunt Show Experience

Watch this team of martial arts experts wow the audience, with high-flying jaw-dropping performances that showcase an extraordinary display of extreme theatrics!

Free with Fair admission.

Location: Near Showplace Stage

## The Farm at SillyVille

This free "farmer for a day" experience connects kids to our state's agriculture industry, the farming story and healthy eating choices. The exhibit opened at the 2018 Washington State Fair and is making its first Spring Fair debut.

Free with Fair admission.

Sponsor: Safeway.

# **Earthquakes Biggest Burgers**

A Washington State Fair guest favorite, finally makes its Spring Fair debut this year! The half-pound burger with piled high onions and cheese, celebrates its 27<sup>th</sup> year at The Fair.

# The Bull's Battle of the Bands – Friday, April 12

Come watch as three bands battle it out with their original songs for a chance to win \$1000 from New Country 98.9! Each band has submitted their original music at <a href="www.989bull.com">www.989bull.com</a> and will be hand selected to perform at The Spring Fair on April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Showplace Stage.

Entries are currently being accepted through March 31, 2019.

Free with Fair admission.

Location/Time: Showplace Stage, 6-8 p.m. Media Partner: New Country 98.9 The Bull

## **Goat Yoga – Saturday, April 13**

Bring your yoga mat to The Fair on Saturday, April 13 for a unique yoga experience - with goats! If you love goats like we do, you won't want to miss this chance to get your exercise on AND do it with adorable goats roaming around.

Space is limited so purchase tickets online in advance to guarantee your spot.

For details on what to bring and what to know before you go: http://www.thefair.com/fun/details/goat-yoga

Cost: \$8 per person (does not include Spring Fair Admission)

Location: Arena K – Loading Arena

### Truck Pulls – Saturday, April 13

New this year! Spring Fair Truck Pulls event. Watch local competitors in six different weight classes compete to see who has the toughest truck for bragging rights and prizes.

Those interested in participating, check out <a href="www.thefair.com">www.thefair.com</a> for rules and registration.

Location/Time: Paulhamus Arena, 2 p.m.

#### **RETURNING SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS & HIGHLIGHTS**

## Kids Free Gate Admission/ Opening Day at the Fair Food Drive - Thursday, April 11

Kids ages 6-18 get in free Thursday, with a suggested non-perishable food donation to benefit the Puyallup Food Bank. Kids ages 5 and under are always free.

## Military Appreciation Day – Friday, April 12

Free gate admission will be offered to active, retired and reserve military and their dependents, plus disabled veterans – with valid military ID.

Media partners: 570 AM KVI and KOMO Newsradio AM 1000 / 97.7 FM.

## Gate Giveaway, first 500 guests - Friday, April 12

The first 500 guests will request a complimentary mini blossom kit of forget-me-nots, to get that spring garden started!

## Fireworks Show – Friday & Saturday

Join us at the Fireworks Spectacular on Friday and Saturday nights at approximately 9 p.m. The show will be enhanced with music.

## Fiesta Mexicana - Sunday, April 14

Come enjoy Meixan culture and sizzling entertainment that's sure to get you up and dancing. Performance groups include Folklore Mexicano Tonantzin, Los Socios and Los De La Barranca throughout the day.

Free with Fair admission

Location: Showplace Stage

# **Motorsport Mayhem**

Don't miss Motorsport Mayhem presented by O'Reilly Auto Parts! Monster truck rides, tricked out monster trucks, smashing cars collide and even boats...for action-packed entertainment, you won't want to miss! For specific events and schedules: <a href="http://www.thefair.com/spring-fair/motorsport-mayhem">http://www.thefair.com/spring-fair/motorsport-mayhem</a>

Various times: Grandstand

Presented by O'Reilly Auto Parts. Sponsored by Budweiser.

\*Visit your local O'Reilly Auto Parts for \$5 off coupon (Now-April 14)

### **BBQ Competition**

Don't miss your opportunity to taste award winning BBQ at the 3rd Annual Washington State Spring Fair BBQ Competition. Competitors will be cooking up their own variations on BBQ classics. Cast your vote for the People's Choice on Saturday and watch as the contestants vie for the blue ribbon on Sunday. The Washington State Fair competition is the highest prize purse in the state, at \$20,000!

Last's year's winners, "Smoke 324" and "The Smokin' Bocks," will be sampling their award-winning grub Friday, April 12, 2-7:30 p.m.

Various times: Contest Arena (south end of the grounds)

## **DockDogs Competition**

DockDogs features dogs running down a 40-foot canine runway and jumping headlong into a 27,000 gallon pool of water.

Free with Fair admission.

Daily: Red Gate area

### **All Alaskan Racing Pigs**

You may not think of little porkers when sports is the conversation, but these fuzzy little racers will make you reconsider the meaning of "professional athlete." The 100-yard dash and the 50-yard high hurdles come to life as you have never experienced them before. When the runners have four legs the starts are even more exhilarating. And when you are a cute little pig, well, you can do just about anything you want. It's just pure fun!

Daily: Fountain Plaza

### **Creative Kids Exhibit**

This pre-registered exhibit showcases the talents of children, 6-15 years-old. Divisions include: art, baking, creative writing, photography, textiles, bird houses/bird feeders, paper crafts and scrapbooking, and an egg drop contest.

Daily: Pavilion

## **Northwest Living & Garden Show**

It's time to get outside and spruce up our gardens and our outdoor living areas. Northwest Living & Garden, presented by Mattress Firm, has a range of vendors. Ciscoe Morris will be providing a 30-minute gardening presentation followed by a Q&A on Sunday, April 14, 1 p.m.

Free with Fair admission.

Location: Mattress Firm ShowPlex

Sponsor: Mattress Firm

#### **Outdoor Adventures**

Don't miss hands on activities for all ages, interactive learning opportunities including kayaking safety tips, outdoor simulations and more. Check out Brad's World Reptiles and get your heart racing with exotic animals from around the globe.

Free with Fair admission.

Daily: Expo Hall

### **Animal Exhibits**

Washington Shepherds' Extravaganza, Northwest Junior Livestock Show, Cascade Pygmy Goat Association Show, Dexter Cattle Show, Miniature Horse Exhibit, Llama Exhibit, Washington Junior Poultry Exposition, Rainier Rabbits ARBA Show, Washington Ornamental and Game Bird Exhibit, and of course, the Fair Farm.

Free with Fair admission.

Daily: Barns H, J, M, N

#### Fun on the Farm

Kids will love having fun on the farm in this area. They can get up close to baby animals, petting a variety of babies. Barnyard Adventure offers an experience of working on the farm with Pete's Potato Place, Corn Play Box, Professor Kluck's Fact & Picture Board, milking a faux cow and more!

Free with Fair admission.

Daily: Centennial Tent

## **Diversity Celebration**

The 14th Annual Puyallup School District Diversity Celebration will be held all four days of Spring Fair. This is a time of sharing, learning, and showcasing the artwork, essays, poems and other works based on culturally relevant curriculum.

Free, with Fair admission.

Location: Hobby Hall, Coca-Cola Stage (Saturday)

# MORE FREE MUSIC, SHOWS AND NON-STOP ENTERTAINMENT!

There is something for everyone – from strolling entertainment, comedy, music, jugglers, special exhibits and much more! Click here for more information: <a href="http://www.thefair.com/fun/free-music-entertainment">http://www.thefair.com/fun/free-music-entertainment</a>