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### *Special Flyovers at 2022 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger*

(DAYTON, OH – July 12, 2022) – The CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger announced today the special appearance of three military aircraft – **U.S. Marine Corps CH-53 Super Stallion**, **U.S. Army AH-64 Apache**, and **U.S. Air Force E-3 Sentry (AWACS)**. The two helicopters will conduct flybys on both days; the AWACS will do a flyby on Sunday only. The air show will take place on July 30 and 31 at the Dayton International Airport.

The **USMC CH-53 Super Stallion** is a heavy-lift helicopter, designed for transporting up to 55 troops or externally slung loads of 36,000 lbs. – the equivalent of three very large elephants.

The **USA AH-64 Apache** has a vertical climb of 1,775 feet per minute and has been extensively used in night operations. The attack helicopter is most recognized by its helmet-mounted display and gun targeting system that moves with the pilot's head movement.

The **USAF AWACS** is an airborne warning, command and control system, easily recognized by the 30-foot-wide rotating radar dome atop the aircraft. The aircraft is an all-altitude, all-weather surveillance that can fly roughly eight hours without refueling.



**A USMC CH-53 Super Stallion (left) and USA AH-64 Apache (right) along with a USAF AWACS will join the 2022 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show lineup. (Photos courtesy of the Department of Defense)**

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“The addition of these three aircraft in an already spectacular lineup is great news for this year’s show,” said Scott Buchanan, Chairman of the United States Air & Trade Show Board of Trustees, producers of the show. “Two of these three aircraft are going to be replaced in the coming years so we’re excited that spectators get to see them before they’re phased out.”

The **CH-53 Super Stallion**, **AH-64 Apache**, and **AWACS** flybys will join an all-star lineup for the 2022 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger. The show will be headlined by the **U.S. Navy Blue Angels** in their new F/A-18 Super Hornets and includes the **U.S. Air Force F-16 Viper Demo Team** as well as the **U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team**. Also appearing will be aerobatic flyer **Kevin Coleman**, **TORA! TORA! TORA!**, an eight-plane emotional reenactment of the bombing of Pearl Harbor complete with pyrotechnics, the **U.S. Air Force F-15 two-ship flyby** and debut performances by **Kent Pietsch Airshows** and **Vampire Airshows**.

Tickets for the 2022 show are on sale now at [www.daytonairshow.com](http://www.daytonairshow.com). Customers have the option to print tickets at home or download the e-ticket on a smartphone. Discount general admission tickets can now be conveniently purchased at area **Kroger stores**. This Kroger exclusive offers \$3 off adult and children’s tickets at over 100 Kroger stores in the Dayton/Cincinnati region. Children ages 5 and under are free in general admission.

For additional information on the 2022 performers, visit their websites below:

- U.S. Navy Blue Angels, [www.blueangels.navy.mil](http://www.blueangels.navy.mil)
- U.S. Army Golden Knights, [www.goarmy.com/events/golden-knights](http://www.goarmy.com/events/golden-knights)
- F-16 Viper Demonstration Team, [www.acc.af.mil/Home/Aerial-Events/F16-Viper](http://www.acc.af.mil/Home/Aerial-Events/F16-Viper)
- TORA! TORA! TORA! [www.toratoratora.com](http://www.toratoratora.com)
- Kevin Coleman, [www.facebook.com/TheKevinColeman](http://www.facebook.com/TheKevinColeman)
- Vampire Airshows, [vampireairshows.simdif.com](http://vampireairshows.simdif.com)
- Kent Pietsch Airshows, [www.kentpietschairshows.com](http://www.kentpietschairshows.com)

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*Founded in 1975, the CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger is one of North America’s premier air shows. It features world-class aerobatic champions, military jet demonstrations and entertainment for the whole family, celebrating Dayton’s rich aviation heritage as home of the Wright Brothers, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force and National Aviation Heritage Area. It is produced by the United States Air and Trade Show, Inc., a 501(c)(6) not-for-profit Ohio corporation that relies on sponsorship and community support to offset costs. The Dayton/Montgomery County Convention and Visitors Bureau estimates the show adds \$3.7 million to the region’s economy every year.*