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### ***Rhino Demo Team, Supercar Driving Experience added to 2023 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger***

(DAYTON, OH – April 26, 2023) – Air show officials announced today two additions to the 2023 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger performer lineup, including a brand new hands-on driving experience. The **U.S. Navy Rhino Demonstration Team** and **Precision Exotics** will join the 49th annual show on July 22 and 23 at the Dayton International Airport.

A first for the Dayton Air Show, **Precision Exotics** will offer attendees the opportunity to drive or ride in a supercar with speeds up to 160 mph with a professional instructor. Their cars include a **2007 Ferrari F430** channeling 491 HP in its V8 engine, and a **2007 Lamborghini Gallardo** boasting 513 HP generated by its V10 engine. Guests will be able to purchase a ride in these powerful cars and put their driving skills to the test. Experiences are only available for air show ticket holders, and drivers must have a valid driver's license and proof of full-coverage auto insurance. Ticket holders 18 and under that fit securely in a passenger seat with the seatbelt fastened may ride along with an instructor. A signature of a legal guardian is required. Rides can be purchased at a designated tent during the show.



**Precision Exotics (left) and the U.S. Navy Rhino Demo Team FA-18 Super Hornets will appear as part of the 2023 CenterPoint Energy Dayton Air Show lineup.** (Photos courtesy of Demo Teams)

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Showcasing the U.S. Navy's **FA-18 Super Hornets**, the **West Coast Rhino Demo Team** will give audiences a high-speed performance. The demonstration is designed to highlight the jet's mobility, versatility and power with high-G minimum radius turns to the slow-speed high-alpha pass. The team's pilots have flown combat operations in Iraq, Syria and Afghanistan, chosen for the demo team for their skill and experience in the Navy's premier strike fighter.

"We're excited for our newest partner, Precision Exotics, to give audience a one-of-a-kind, high-speed experience in their luxury cars that matches the thrill of our performance," said Scott Buchanan, Chairman of the United States Air & Trade Show Board of Trustees, producers of the show. "And the addition of the Rhino Demo Team with its FA-18 Super Hornets is going to add even more speed to the air show's exhilarating 2023 lineup. You're not going to want to miss it."

These performances will join the 2023 headliner, the **U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds**, as well as the recently announced **Firewalkers International** and local team **Redline Air Shows**. The show also includes the world's fastest **AFTERSHOCK Jet Fire Truck** and the world-renowned **Red Bull Air Force**. The **U.S. Army Golden Knights** will also be appearing along with aerobatic performers **Bill Stein Airshows**, **Kirby Chambliss**, and **Redline Air Shows**.

Tickets for the 2023 show are available for purchase online for print-at-home or mobile ticket options. Beginning mid-summer 2023, discount general admission tickets can be conveniently purchased at over 100 area Kroger stores in the Dayton/Cincinnati region. Children ages 5 and under are free in general admission. For more information, visit the show's website at [www.daytonairshow.com](http://www.daytonairshow.com).

For additional information on the 2023 performers, visit their websites below:

- U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, [airforce.com/thunderbirds](http://airforce.com/thunderbirds)
- U.S. Army Golden Knights, [goarmy.com/golden-knights](http://goarmy.com/golden-knights)
- U.S. Navy Rhino Demo Team, [facebook.com/rhinodemoteam](https://facebook.com/rhinodemoteam)
- AFTERSHOCK Jet Fire Truck, [shockwavejettruck.com](http://shockwavejettruck.com)
- Bill Stein Airshows, [billsteinairshows.com/](http://billsteinairshows.com/)
- Randy Ball, [fighterjets.com](http://fighterjets.com)
- Red Bull Helicopter, [redbull.com/us-en/athlete/aaron-fitzgerald](http://redbull.com/us-en/athlete/aaron-fitzgerald)
- Kirby Chambliss, [teamchambliss.com](http://teamchambliss.com)
- Red Bull Air Force, [redbullairforce.com](http://redbullairforce.com)
- Redline Air Shows, [facebook.com/Redlineairshows](https://facebook.com/Redlineairshows)
- Firewalkers International, [firewalkersinternational.com](http://firewalkersinternational.com)
- Precision Exotics, [precisionexotics.com](http://precisionexotics.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.*