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ST. THOMAS AIRFEST TO HONOUR ESSENTIAL WORKERS WITH AIR PARADE

Board of Directors also announces postponement of AirFest 2021

ST. THOMAS, ON – This past year has presented us with many challenges, but the strength and resilience of our community has helped us all work together to face the unique challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

To recognize those who have been on the front lines since the beginning of the pandemic, the board of directors of St. Thomas Air Fest are pleased to announce ‘**The AirFest Salute to All Essential Workers**’. The air parade will take over the skies of St. Thomas on April 10th, 2020. More details on aircraft that will be participating to be announced in the weeks to come. Information will also be available in the coming days on our website www.airfest.ca.

While we are dedicating this event to all essential workers, we want to make it clear that we are putting it on for the entire community to enjoy. We recognize everyone has had to make sacrifices over the past year, and this event is our small part of giving back and saying “thank you”. We would also like to stress that this parade is meant to be viewed from the comforts of your own home. There will be no event at the airport for this parade. Head out to your front or backyard and let the planes put on a show for you!

With this good news, comes the tougher news of this year’s scheduled AirFest event. Out of an abundance of caution for our volunteers, members, and visitors, the organizing committee of AirFest 2021 regrettably will postpone the upcoming June 25-27, 2021 airshow & festival. The cancellation comes at the guidance of federal, provincial and local health officials who are looking to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

We extend our sincere appreciation to all of our partners who have expressed their commitment to continue to support our show and will be with us next June 24-26, 2022. Plans are already underway for AirFest 2022 - we have confirmed our Friday Night Gala keynote speaker, Brian Shul, and have received commitments from most of our performers to join us next June.

Tickets that have already been purchased or issued for the event will be honored for the scheduled date of June 24-26, 2022.

Thank you for your understanding and support through these difficult times.

We hope everyone will look to the skies on April 10, 2021 for ‘The AirFest Salute to All Essential Workers’.

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