



MEDIA ADVISORY

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U.S. Air Force F-35 Lightning arrives Thursday, June 22nd U.S. Navy F/A-18 Super Hornet arrives Thursday, June 22nd Sean D. Tucker to fly contest winner Thursday, June 22nd Rob Holland to fly contest winner Thursday, June 22nd

The U.S. Air Force's newest fighter, the F-35 Lightning II, will arrive in Dayton on Thursday, June 22nd at 11:00 am. Immediately after arrival, the pilots will be available to media for planeside interviews. The F-35 will fly for the first time in Dayton performing a Heritage Flight with a P-51 Mustang both show days.

The U.S. Navy F-18 Super Hornet will arrive at the Dayton International Airport on Thursday, June 16th at 6:30 pm. The Navy's premier strike fighter will perform both days of the show. Pilots of the two aircraft will be available for planeside interviews upon landing.

Air show superstar Sean D. Tucker will give a Young Eagles flight to a Vectren Dayton Air Show contest winner at 11:00 am Thursday, June 22nd. The winner will be announced Thursday morning. Tucker is chairman of the Young Eagles program and one of the featured performers at this weekend's air show.

Six time National Aerobatic Champion Rob Holland will give Bianca Romanyk, a current active duty U.S. Air Force officer stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, a ride as part of his Hero Flight program on Thursday, June 22nd at 3:30 pm. This will be the first year the very talented Rob Holland will fly at the Vectren Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger.

Media wishing to cover any of these events must **contact Shiela Wallace no later than 6:00 p.m. the day prior to each event**. Media will be met at the Airport Expo Center, 3900 McCauley Drive, Vandalia, OH 45377 off North Dixie Highway and escorted to the flight line.

The air show is scheduled Saturday and Sunday, June 24th and 25th at the Dayton International Airport.

For more information on the show, please visit www.daytonairshow.com.

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Founded in 1975, the Vectren 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 \$3.2 million to the region's economy every year.