

## News Release

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### Saskatchewan's Fair the Queen City Ex Set to Kick Off

*Regina, Saskatchewan* – The 2021 Queen City Ex (QCX) presented by Sasktel is set to kick off tomorrow, August 20, 2021. It's been 745 days since the last corndog was sold at the 2019 QCX.

This year's fair is eight days instead of five. It runs in two blocks from August 20 -22 and then from August 25 – 29. The two day break is due to the re-routing of the midway circuit which allowed for a longer fair. It also provides an opportunity to sanitize the rides and grounds. Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL) is GBAC STAR certified which means the organizations cleaning and disinfecting practices meet international standards.

"We haven't been able to host an eight day fair since the 70's," says Tim Reid, President & CEO of REAL. "We are excited to welcome fair goers back to their campus and celebrate a return to our new normal. Staff have been working incredibly hard to put on a fun and safe fair experience for everyone."

What to know before you go.

- Thanks to SGI & the City of Regina anyone with a valid QCX ticket can ride transit for free during the fair.
- Front Line Workers Day is Wednesday, August 25. All frontline and essential workers including but not limited to: First Responders, Police, Fire services, Health Care, Health Services will be admitted to the fair upon showing valid ID at the gate ( not valid for online purchases).
- Free entry to the QCX on Saturday, August 21 for everyone attending the Rider Game that day.
- The Original 16 Stage features 15 shows over the course of the eight days including JoJo Mason and The Reklaws tomorrow, to Wide Mouth Mason and The Trews on Saturday, August 28.
- The QCX wraps up with a performance by the Regina Symphony Orchestra and an amazing fireworks display on Sunday, August 29.
- The Pile O'Bones Rodeo is back for two nights in the Brandt Centre August 27 & 28.
- The Extreme Zone features the Extreme Dog Show, Twiggy the Waterskiing Squirrel and Ride the Vibe BMX Show.
- There's family entertainment on the Original 16 Stage during the day from 1 – 6 p.m.
- Ol'Mcdale Petting Farm is in the Brandt Centre August 20 – 22.
- SaskMilk Flip for Hunger Pancake Breakfast in support of the Regina Food Bank is on Sunday, August 29 from 10:30 a.m. – Noon. \$5 gate admission until noon with a non-perishable food item.
- Midway rides & concessions open Noon – 12 a.m., Kiddieland open Noon – 10:30 p.m. (both are weather dependent).

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