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Thunder in the Valley Air Show Ticket Sales Begin February 3

Tickets available online and at several additional merchant locations

Columbus, Ga., January 30, 2014 – Tickets to the March 15-16 Thunder in the Valley Air Show will be available for purchase beginning Monday, February 3. Advance tickets are \$10 per person, per day, and may be purchased online (with an additional \$1.50 service fee) and at a variety of local retail locations.

"Thunder in the Valley Air Show is an extraordinary value," said Phaedra Childers, Event Coordinator. "Attendees will be surrounded by a world-class group of aviation acts and displays. The combination of affordability and up-close entertainment really makes this air show the best ticket in town."

Ticket buyers will be thrilled by what they see "In the Air and On the Ground." Aerial acts include **Franklin's Flying Circus** (Dracula Demon-1 biplane and Wing-Tip Draggin' Comedy Act) (<u>http://www.franklinairshow.com/index.html</u>), **Melissa Pemberton** (aerobatic and wing suit performances) (<u>http://www.sportsgal.com/index.html</u>), the **Georgia State Patrol Aviation Division** (<u>http://dps.georgia.gov/aviation</u>) and the **Silver Wings Parachute Demonstration Team** (<u>http://www.silverwingsdemoteam.com</u>).

On the ground, the **Indy Boys Jet Powered School Bus and Jet Outhouse** (<u>http://www.indyboysinc.com</u>) will roar down the runway, while the display area will feature everything from **CAMO Group** military vehicles to aircraft from the **Hixson Flight Museum**, **Berlin Airlift Foundation** and **Tiger Flight Foundation**, to hands-on activities with **Archery Connection** and a **Kids Carnival**.

Each day also features can't-miss opening and closing acts: **The U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence Band** (<u>http://www.benning.army.mil/infantry/199th/MCoEBand/</u>)</u> and **The Immortals: The Epic Battle of Good vs. Evil**, a dazzling grand finale featuring Franklin, Pemberton and the Indy Boys' Paul Stender.

Online tickets may be ordered through Thunder in the Valley Air Show's online ticket partner, AttendStar (<u>https://event.attendstar.com/event/show/thunder-in-the-valley-air-show-2014/</u>). This ticketing page is accessible from the **Thunder in the Valley Air Show website** (<u>http://www.thunderinthevalleyairshow.com</u>) and by scanning the QR codes found in ads and posters promoting Thunder in the Valley Air Show.

Local ticket outlets are:

- Columbus-area McDonald's
- Flightways Columbus (Columbus Airport)
- Skyline Columbus (Columbus Airport)
- Ace Hardware (3863 St. Marys Road)
- Brusters Real Ice Cream (1654 Whittlesey Road, 7590 Schomburg Road and 3465 Macon Road)
- Wingstop (2528 Weems Road)

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Local ticket outlets accept cash only. Ticket prices are \$8 Military Discount (Sold only through MWR Ticket and Travel at Fort Benning), \$10 Advance Discount and \$15 Day of Event. Children ages 6 and younger are always free. Each ticket is valid only for one of the two show days – to attend both days requires two tickets – and there are no rain dates or refunds.

Online advance tickets will be available until 11:59 p.m. on Friday, March 14. Retail locations will offer advance tickets until close of business on Friday, March 14. Only \$15 Day of Event tickets will be sold after that.

Gates will open at 10 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. on both Saturday, March 15 and Sunday, March 16.

About Thunder in the Valley Air Show

The Thunder in the Valley Air Show began in 1997 as a local fly-in for aviation enthusiasts and has grown to become one of the largest outdoor family events in the Chattahoochee Valley, thanks to the efforts of more than 300 dedicated volunteers – both groups and individuals. The Air Show brings in top performers from across the United States, all paid for by local and regional sponsors whose products and services are exposed to an average of 10,000 guests each day of the Show, and included in advertising that reaches hundreds of thousands before the event. National attention has been given to the Thunder in the Valley Air Show by the International Council of Air Shows for excellence in marketing. The Thunder in the Valley Air Show is a fun, family event with proceeds going to youth organizations in the Chattahoochee Valley. For more information on the event or how you can become a sponsor, visit www.thunderinthevalleyairshow.com.

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