



## OPENING DAY CEREMONIES



This year, the party started before the Fair even opened. The Main Gate was rocking for an hour before the gates opened at 10 a.m. There was live entertainment, stilt walkers, aerialists, and California State Fair mascot, Poppy.

## LOOKING AHEAD



**SACRAMENTO AREA  
BICYCLE ADVOCATES**

**FREE Bike Valet**

**Saturdays 11:30a - 10:30p**

Go "green" to the Fair and save yourself some "green" too. Every Saturday, ride to Fair and valet your bicycle for FREE. Valet is FREE and safe, brought to you by SABA. Mark your calendar for Saturday, July 22 for a special bike meet-up.



**Wiener Schnitzel National**

**Wiener Dog Races**

New this year is the Wiener Schnitzel Wiener Dog races on July 15. Held in-between the live thoroughbred horse races at the Miller Lite Racetrack Grandstand at 1:45 p.m., come watch and cheer on these tiny-legged running machines.



## THE BEST OF CALIFORNIA...CELEBRATING FARM WORKERS' RICH CONTRIBUTIONS TO FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

This year, the California State Fair celebrates the contributions of California's farm workers and their historic leaders with a NEW exhibit in the California Building. A dedication ceremony for this new exhibit takes place on Sunday, July 16 at 5:00 p.m.

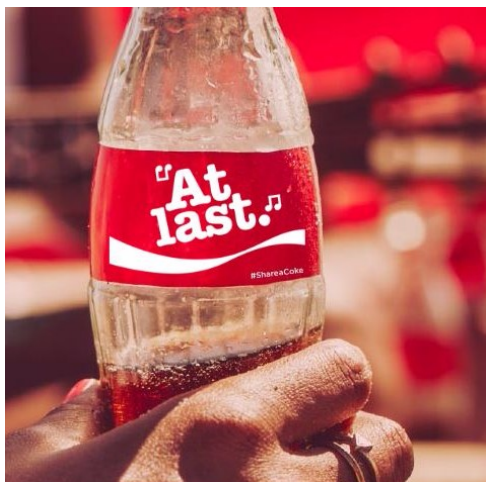


### Toyota Concert Series Day 2

The 2017 Toyota Concert Series at the Golden 1 Stage goes country with John Michael Montgomery on the second night of the California State Fair. All concerts are free, but seating is first-come, first-served. If you want to be close to the music, then click the button to buy a reserved seat.

[BUY RESERVED SEAT](#)

## WHAT'S HAPPENING



## Share A Coke

Back for only the first weekend of Fair, make sure you stop by the "Share A Coke" booth at the Coca-Cola Promenade. You can get up to two cans of Coke personalized with your name or the name of someone you want to share a Coke with.

## Chef Keith Breedlove

Official Chef of the California State Fair  
Keith Breedlove is back for a third year. Chef Keith will do two cooking demos daily during the Fair out at The Grill in the Kaiser Permanente Farm presented by Save Mart. First show is at 1 p.m. Second is at 4 p.m.



## Live Thoroughbred Horse Racing Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

Horse racing, just like the Kentucky Derby, but here in California. This is one of the most thrilling experiences of the California State Fair. New this year are two extra days of horse racing - every Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The action happens at Miller Lite Racetrack Grandstand.

[Giddy Up](#)



## Whale Tail Expo Building 2

The popular Whale Tail exhibit gets a new home for 2017, inside the air conditioned Expo Building 2. Thanks to the California Coastal Commission, fairgoers can meet rescued otters "Drip" and "Drop" and their friends.



## Jack in the Box Freestyle Motocross

Hear the engines roar and watch riders soar during this high octane show. Performances happen three times a day, every day at the Lagoon. Check the CA State Fair app to catch these high-flying daredevils.

# WHAT'S NEW



## Expedition: Dinosaur Expo Buildings 4 & 5

Take a trip back in time, 165 billion years ago with this NEW exhibit. Stage Nine Exhibitions has brought 16 of their life-sized, animatronic dinosaurs to Fair. They are so big they take up two buildings in Expo Center. Along with the dinosaurs, there are 14 interactive activities for children (and adults) to experience. This exhibit is open every day of Fair until 10 p.m.



## #50thFairHunt Photo Scavenger Hunt

A new and fun game on our official CA State Fair app. This mobile game takes you all over the Fairgrounds to take pictures at nine select locations. When you fill up your photocard and post it to social media, you get a free prize at any of the Information Booths. Download the app for free on Apple and Android devices.



## The "Mane" Event: Hollywood Horses and Riders

The motion picture industry got its start thanks to horses in California. Since then horses have had big roles in television and in film. This year at the Horse Arena you can meet the stunt horses from "The Walking Dead." Watch a grand tribute to some of your favorite horses and riders every night at 7:30 p.m.



## **Video Show on the Cal Expo Water Tower**

When the sun goes down, make sure you look up at the iconic Cal Expo water Tower. Every night, starting at 8:45 p.m. we turn the water tower into a giant movie screen. Watch as video, graphics and animation come to life. If you tag #castatefair in a photo on social media, one of your Fair photos may appear on the tower.

**CHECK IT OUT**



## **Toyota Concert Series Day 1**

Sheila E. kicked off the Fair's 2017 Toyota Concert Series at the Golden 1 Stage. She brought out her hits "The Glamorous Life" and "Hold Me." Photos from her concert and the Fair can be found on our Flickr page; just click the button below.

**SHOW ME PICTURES**



## **Fireworks by Dish**

The fireworks go off on Fridays and Saturdays at 10 p.m. Find a good spot to watch the magic light up the night sky.

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