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MORE THRILLS AND EXCITEMENT ON SCHEDULE TO DELIGHT FANS FOR THIS YEAR'S MCDONALD'S® AIR & SEA SHOW®



First-time military and civilian aerobatic demonstrations are planned for 13th annual event



FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. (April 13, 2007) -- Fans of the McDonald's® Air & Sea Show® presented by CBS4 will be in awe of this year's line-up of air and sea performances with first-time civilian and military demonstrations in addition to popular favorites. New to the show this year are Michael Wiskus and the Lucas Oil Airshow, a civilian air exhibition; the United States Air Force (USAF) F-22 Raptor, regarded as the most advanced fighter jet in the world with state-of-the-art technology and advanced tactics and the U.S. Army Sky Soldiers, the only attack copter demo team flown by veteran pilots — all of which will excite the crowds during this annual tribute to the armed forces and the men and women serving our country.



"We are thrilled with this year's line-up of civilian and military flyovers and demonstrations," said Mickey Markoff, creator and executive producer of McDonald's® National Salute to America's HeroesSM. "Now 13 years and going strong, we strive to always keep the show current and exciting for the many loyal fans and newcomers from South Florida and beyond."



Other highlights of this year's show include the USAF Thunderbirds Demonstration Team, the U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team, U.S. Navy Leapfrogs Parachute Team and the Marine Corps "Amphibious Assault" joint forces military exercise, which involves multiple aircraft, amphibious vehicles and Marines storming the beach in full battle gear.



Crowd favorites that will make this year's event a great success are military flyovers of the USAF's B-2 Stealth Bomber, A-10 Warthog, F-18 Super Hornet, F-15 Eagle, C-17 Globemaster, B-1B Lancer Bomber and the F-16 Makos from the Homestead Air Force



Reserve Base. Plus, event-goers will see the United States Coast Guard Rescue Demonstration, USAF Heritage Flight, the USAF 920th Pararescue Demonstration and the United States Navy Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC).

Civilians play a vital role in the show and this year we celebrate the return of Fred Cabanas Aerobatic Act, Air Force Reserve & Beyond Aerobatic Show featuring Ed Hamill, the Red Baron Pizza Squadron[®] and the Sean Tucker Team Oracle Challenger. Plus, American Airlines, the Van Wagner Aerial Media “Salute to Old Glory” and the Goodyear Blimp will appear as part of the entire show package in the sky.

As part of its strong commitment to the community, the McDonald’s[®] Air & Sea Show[®] presented by CBS4 will partner with local organizations to present a variety of educational and fundraising programs, including a first-time ticket sales program sponsored by Publix to benefit the Florida Panthers Foundation. McDonald’s Air & Sea Show fans can purchase tickets for \$30, which affords them with access to a beachfront chalet that includes the convenience of concessions, restrooms and the limited opportunity to separate serious spectators from the crowd. To purchase tickets, visit www.nationalsalute.com or call 954-241-7934.

In addition, there will be a veteran’s tribute, community awards and scholarship presentations, art competition and exhibit and more. Partnering organizations and beneficiaries include the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center, ArtServe, Boys and Girls Club of Broward County, Broward County Public Schools, Broward County Veterans Council, Cops for Kids, Neighbors 4 Neighbors, The Starting Place and the Wounded Warrior Project.

The McDonald’s Air and Sea Show presented by CBS4 runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sat., May 5 and Sun. May 6 along the 4 miles of beach from Oakland Park Boulevard to Las Olas Boulevard. Fleet Week USA[®] presented by McDonald’s[®] precedes with public celebrations and special events starting on Mon., April 30.

The McDonald’s Air & Sea Show presented by CBS4 and Fleet Week USA presented by McDonald’s, as part of the McDonald’s[®] National Salute to America’s HeroesSM, pays tribute to the brave men and women who serve in all five branches of our armed forces. Since its inception in 1995, the Show’s goals have been to encourage patriotism, assist the U.S. military in recruiting efforts, generate national exposure and revenue for sponsors and showcase South Florida with a world class event. The show is the official kick-off to National Military Appreciation Month held each May.

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Check out WFTL 850 AM for live event coverage on May 5-6, beginning at 10 a.m., and view live streaming video at www.850WFTL.com.

To ensure a successful event, we encourage fans to visit our website www.nationalsalute.com to learn about important safety and security details, including beach and boat safety restrictions as mandated by local and federal law enforcement agencies.

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