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## Cannon AFB to host first airshow since 2018

**CANNON AIR FORCE BASE, N.M.** – Cannon AFB will host its first airshow since 2018. The airshow, Wings Over Cannon, is scheduled for April 22, 2023. Gates will open at 9:00 a.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Headlining the show will be the Air Combat Command's A-10C Thunderbolt II Demonstration Team. The A-10C Thunderbolt II Demonstration Team, stationed out of Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona, travels to airshows around the country to showcase the unique combat capabilities of the A-10 Thunderbolt, a close air support aircraft that provides invaluable protection to troops on the ground.

Our very own Air Commandos will highlight their capabilities during a capabilities exercise (CAPEX) consisting of the AC-130J Ghost Rider, MC-130J Commando II, U-28A Draco, CV-22 Osprey, and Special Tactics Airmen. Spectators will also witness the MQ-9 Reaper in flight.

Visitors will see a flyover of a B-1B Lancer out of Dyess Air Force Base, a performance by the U.S. Air Force Academy Aerobatic Glider Demonstration Team and a flyover of a KC-135 Stratotanker from March Air Force Base. Additionally, there will be a various assortment of modern and historic aircraft and equipment static displays.

The airshow will also feature an entire hangar dedicated to STEM education featuring several displays and interactive activities, that will appeal to people of all ages.

"We are extremely happy to be able to open our gates to the community," said Colonel Terence Taylor, 27th Special Operations Wing commander. "The Air Force values and relies on public trust to carry out our mission. Air Shows give us an opportunity to engage, educate, and inspire attendees. By showcasing the war-winning capabilities of the Air Force and the 27th Special Operations Wing, the public and local community have a better understanding of how Cannon Air Force Base contributes to national defense, and what the men and women of Team Cannon do to protect our nation. We look forward to hosting everyone here at Cannon Air Force Base on April 22 for Wings Over Cannon!"

Greg Witmer, Vice President of Operations for David Schultz Airshows, will be the Airboss for Wings Over Cannon. To learn more about David Schultz Airshows, please visit [schultzairshows.com](http://schultzairshows.com).

Anyone interested in attending the airshow is encouraged to visit our Facebook event at <https://www.facebook.com/events/699396885086443/?ref=newsfeed> or our website <https://www.cannon.af.mil/Wings-Over-Cannon/> for the most up-to-date information on performers, parking, event maps, and more.

For more information on Cannon AFB, please contact 27 SOW Public Affairs for inquiries at (575) 784-4131 or [27sowpa.publicaffairs@us.af.mil](mailto:27sowpa.publicaffairs@us.af.mil).

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Note to Editors:

Multiple Wings Over Cannon POCs to include the Airshow Director, Capt Jake Weiner, are available for interviews, in-person or via zoom. Please contact Lt Hannah Canales at [hannah.canales@us.af.mil](mailto:hannah.canales@us.af.mil)/575-904-6697 or SSgt Candin Muniz at [candin.muniz@us.af.mil](mailto:candin.muniz@us.af.mil)/575-904-6693 to set up the engagement.

Attached is the Cannon Air Force Base Fact Sheet, and a list of items to bring/not bring to the airshow. For the A-10C Thunderbolt II Demo Team Media Kit, please visit the following link:

<https://www.cannon.af.mil/Portals/85/A-10%20Demo%20Team%20MEDIA%20KIT%202023.pdf>

Links to B-Roll of each 27 SOW aircraft for your use:

- AC-130J - <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/875552/ac-130j-ghostriider-gunship-b-roll>
- MQ-9 – <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/875553/mq-9-reaper-b-roll-stringer>
- MC-130J – <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/875550/mc-130j-commando-ii-b-roll-stringer>
- CV-22 – <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/875555/cv-22-osprey-tiltrotor-aircraft-b-roll>
- U-28 – <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/875554/u-28-draco-b-roll-stringer>