

Exclusively-commissioned carousel horse raffle raising money to support Buffalo Days 125th Anniversary activities

Part of ongoing celebration of “125 years of EX-citement” at Saskatchewan’s Provincial Exhibition

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Regina, Saskatchewan --- Buffalo Days, Saskatchewan’s provincial exhibition, celebrates its 125th anniversary in 2008. To help commemorate this milestone, the Buffalo Days 125 Committee is raffling off a one-of-a-kind, artist-commissioned carousel horse that will raise money to fund 125th Anniversary activities including a cultural stage, Pemman Pearl reunion, memory lane and heritage displays. The carousel horse will be at IPSCO Place, home to Buffalo Days since the turn of the century.

From now through to the end of 2008 Buffalo Days (July 30 – August 3), residents of Regina, the surrounding community and guests of IPSCO Place events will have the opportunity to contribute to these activities by purchasing raffle tickets on the carousel horse. Local artist Jerry Verish was commissioned by the Buffalo Days 125th Committee to design and build this commemorative piece. The horse is currently on display in the Brandt Centre lobby.

Mike MacNaughton, Buffalo Days 125 Committee Chair, explains why the carousel horse was chosen for this initiative. “For years, the carousel horse is something that has been closely and fondly linked with fairs and exhibitions across the prairies. Here in Saskatchewan, it also represents the rich and vibrant history of Saskatchewan’s longest running provincial fair.”

Mark Allan, President and CEO of IPSCO Place, says the committee is looking forward to marking this significant anniversary with a lasting tribute. “Buffalo Days has entertained, educated and thrilled hundreds of thousands of people in the past 125 years. These anniversary activities are part of a well-deserved tribute to everything that the event has come to stand for. With the plans that the committee has in place, we hope to capture the traditions and history of the past while marking this milestone for future generations.”

Only 3000 raffle tickets have been printed and each ticket is just \$20.00. The lottery license number is L07 – 0191. Tickets are available at Regina Pats home games, upcoming IPSCO Place events, at the IPSCO Place Box Office or by contacting any member of the 125 Committee.

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