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Colorado Celebrates 150 Years of Statehood With Landmark Aviation & Entertainment Expo

Mile High 150 Expo brings warbirds, national headliners, and historic ceremonies to Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport — July 31–August 1, 2026

BROOMFIELD, Colo., May 4, 2026 —

Colorado is turning 150, and the state's sesquicentennial celebration is taking flight. The Mile High 150 Expo — a two-day aviation showcase, concert event, and patriotic celebration — will take place July 31–August 1, 2026, at Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport (RMMA) in Broomfield, Colorado. The event is produced by 1943 Events, the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) Mile High Wing, and Mile High Air Boss.

Anchored by a Colorado Flyover Salute and an evening main-stage concert, the Expo will feature rare warbird aircraft, modern aerobatic demonstrations, Cirque-style performers, and a choreographed 500-drone light show — all accessible to the public for the first time at RMMA.

"Colorado's 150th anniversary is a once-in-a-century milestone," said the Mile High 150 Expo organizing team. "We wanted to create an experience that honors the state's heritage, celebrates its future, and brings together Coloradans of all ages for a shared moment they'll never forget. We believe this is that event."

— Mile High 150 Expo Organizing Committee

The Colorado Flyover Salute will send a formation of historic and modern aircraft over the Front Range on both Friday evening and Saturday midday — visible to communities across the Denver metro area. On the ground, the Signature Legacy Ramp opens at 9:00 AM on Saturday for an up-close warbird experience, before the main RMMA Terminal Ramp gates open at 4:30 PM for the evening's flyovers, headliner, and drone show finale.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Colorado Flyover Salute: Formation flights over the Front Range on both Friday (8:30 PM) and Saturday (12:00–2:00 PM).

Warbirds & Aerobatics: A rare assembly of vintage warbirds led by the CAF Mile High Wing, joined by modern aerobatic acts directed by the Mile High Air Boss.

Live Music Headliner: A national act coming to Colorado from Nashville, TN. Full reveal coming soon.

Cirque-Style Performers: World-class costumed aerialists and ground performers interacting with crowds throughout the evening.

500-Drone Light Show: A choreographed nighttime drone light show closing the evening — sponsorship available.

Mile High Gala: A private VIP dinner event held at the RMMA Terminal Ramp for sponsors and distinguished guests.

EVENT DETAILS

Date	July 31–August 1, 2026
Venue	Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport (RMMA) 11755 Airport Way, Broomfield, CO 80021
Friday, Jul 31	Colorado Flyover Salute — 8:30 PM
Saturday, Aug 1	Signature Legacy Ramp opens 9:00 AM Main gates open 4:30 PM 5:30–6:45 PM — Flyovers & Air Show 6:45–7:30 PM — Opener (band TBD) 8:00–9:30 PM — Headliner 9:30 PM — Drone Show Finale
Tickets	GA \$43/adult · Kids 12 & under FREE with ticketed adult VIP \$243/person · milehigh150expo.com
Parking	GA \$10 · VIP \$25 · Handicap \$10 Card payments only · No cash accepted · Secured by Square Rideshare drop-off closest to entrance
Producers	1943 Events · CAF Mile High Wing · Mile High Air Boss

"Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport is proud to host the Mile High 150 Expo. Aviation has always been part of Colorado's identity, and this event gives the whole state a chance to look up and remember why we love this place."

— Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport (RMMA)

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Mile High 150 Expo presents a range of sponsorship opportunities for businesses and organizations seeking to reach Colorado's aviation, outdoor, and family-entertainment audiences. Presenting, naming-rights, and experience sponsorships are available, including sponsorship of the 500-Drone Light Show. For information, contact the organizing team at **sponsors@milehigh150expo.com**.

ABOUT MILE HIGH 150 EXPO

The Mile High 150 Expo is a commemorative aviation and entertainment event celebrating the 150th anniversary of Colorado statehood. Produced by 1943 Events, the Commemorative Air Force Mile High Wing, and Mile High Air Boss, the Expo takes place July 31–August 1, 2026, at Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport in Broomfield, Colorado.

ABOUT CAF MILE HIGH WING

The Commemorative Air Force Mile High Wing is a Colorado-based unit of the Commemorative Air Force, dedicated to the preservation and flight of vintage World War II-era aircraft. The Wing operates several historic aircraft and participates in airshows and educational events throughout the region.

ABOUT 1943 EVENTS

1943 Events is a Colorado-based event production company specializing in large-scale public events, aviation experiences, and patriotic commemorations.

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