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Luke Air Force Base to Host Luke Days in March 2026

LUKE AIR FORCE BASE, Ariz. – Luke Air Force Base will open its gates to the public for the Luke Days air show on March 21-22, 2026. This free event will offer the community a look at military aviation and the mission of both Luke Air Force Base and the U.S. Air Force.

Headlining the 2026 air show is the U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron, the "Thunderbirds." The squadron will perform precision aerial maneuvers in the F-16 Fighting Falcon, showcasing the skill of the Air Force's elite demonstration team.

"We are excited to welcome everyone to this premier demonstration of air dominance and Air Force operational capabilities," said Col. Tyler Smith, the Air Show Director. "This event is our way of expressing our gratitude to the community for their unwavering support."

In addition to the Thunderbirds, the event will feature performances by the F-35A Lightning II, F-35B Lightning II, C-17 Globemaster III, UH-1 Iroquois, and many other aircraft. Attendees will also have the opportunity to view a variety of static military aircraft displays and interact with the pilots and aircrew who operate and maintain them.

Luke Days is a biennial event that attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors to the West Valley. The air show provides an opportunity for the public to learn more about the vital role Luke Air Force Base plays in training the world's greatest fighter pilots and combat-ready Airmen. For the most up-to-date information, please visit www.lukedays.com.