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COLORADO'S ULTIMATE PINBALL AND GAMER FESTIVAL EXPERIENCE

Play hundreds of pinball, retro and classic arcade video games June 8-10

Denver, Colo., June 8-10, 2018, Experience three amazing days with hundreds of pinball, retro and classic arcade video games to play for free with admission. Play, buy, sell, mod, tournament, meetup and have fun. Game on!

This is the thing to do the weekend of Jun 8-10. Grab the friends and escape, bring the family, make it a weekend away, an awesome date night, or dare we say play hooky from work? Experience the sights, sounds, and excitement of hands-on games. Enjoy playing hundreds of pinball and arcade games -- No Quarters Needed.

Play for fun, or opt-in to compete in pinball and arcade tournaments for all ages and skill levels with trophies, cash, prizes and glory. A full slate of casual and friendly tournaments challenges individuals, rookies, kids, parent-kid teams, and more. The festival's sanctioned tournaments pit a player's skills against the best and highest ranked competitive pinball players in the world.

The festival brings special guests from industry and the community to give fans great opportunities to interact with awesome personalities, to discuss timely topics, and to learn about difference areas of pinball, console, and classic arcade video gaming. Each year the festival brings a fresh, in-demand perspective of our wider community.

Meet pinball designers Barry Oursler and Eric Meunier. Oursler is designer of much-loved games, including Jackbot, Pin-Bot, Doctor Who, Dirty Harry, Comet, Space Shuttle, Cyclone, and more. Meunier did the engineering on The Hobbit and the design on the latest Jersey Jack Pinball release, Pirates of the Caribbean.

You can hear Jersey Jack Pinball stories and developments straight from founder Jack Guarnieri. Josh Kugler from the new company American Pinball will discuss the making of its new pinball machine master of mystery, Houdini. Visual pinball designer Scott Wickberg gives you the tools to go home and make a custom pinball table. Curious about how games work? Join the pinball engineering workshop hosted by Mark Gibson with hands-on learning.

Pinball playing tips and tricks -- come see one of the most popular seminars, a workshop on pinball playing tips and tricks with Ryan Wanger of Comet Pinball.

It is more fun to compete -- all you want to know about pinball tournaments. Hosted by local favorite Snow Galvin: discuss competitive formats used in leagues and tournaments; a brief history of ICPA and PAPA; what are WPPRs; strategies for competitive play; and how to find tournaments and leagues that fit a player's style -- social to hyper-competitive; plus a question and answer session about the festival's tournaments.

Getting pinball machines show-ready and handling common fixes -- learn from Blizzard Mountain Pinball's Kevin McCarthy in a workshop to solve what plagues you in pinball games. Explore the challenges of maintaining classic arcade games in modern times with Xyla DuVal of Hyperspace Arcade.

Bad guys doing good: Meet and play games with visitors from a galaxy far, far away 12-4 p.m. Sat., and Sun. The only game taking quarters, the pinball Monster Bash in the event lobby has all proceeds from play donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



General admission is \$33 one-day adult pass; \$15 one-day kid pass (7-12 years); kids 6 and under free. The show is located at the Denver Marriott South at Park Meadows, 10345 Park Meadows Drive, Lone Tree, CO 80124. General admission show hours are all-ages welcome: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, June 8; 10 a.m. to midnight, Saturday, June 9; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 10.

For more information and the schedule of events, email info@PinballShowdown.com, or visit www.PinballShowdown.com. ###