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AirFest Announces B-1 Lancer Bomber to be Open to the Public

Rockford, IL – The Chicago Rockford International Airport (RFD) announced today that two B-1 Bombers will be at AirFest 2009; one flying maneuvers during the air show and the other as one of 40 other military and vintage aircraft on static display. The B-1 on static display will be open to the public to tour during AirFest 2009 held on Saturday, August 22 and Sunday, August 23.

"You may have seen a B-1 Bomber at other air shows but to be able to actually get inside of one and tour the flight deck is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. AirFest may be your one and only chance to get to do this, said RFD Executive Director, Bob O'Brien. "As promised, AirFest 2009 will be better than ever, and a first in many regards," he continued.

O'Brien also mentioned that AirFest will have flying demonstrations by the world renown F-22A Raptor, the B-2 Spirit bomber (Saturday, August 22 Only), as well as flying demonstrations by an F-18 Hornet, KC-135 Stratotanker, C-130 Hercules, P-51 Mustang, and an UH-64 Apache Helicopter to name a few as well as several civilian acts, highlighted by Art Nalls and the World's Only Civilian Sea Harrier as well as Sean D Tucker.

Tickets for AirFest are available on-line at www.FlyRFD.com at a 33% discount for adults and a 40% discount for kids for several more days, before reaching \$15 for adults, \$5 for kids (6-12) and FREE for kids five and under at the gate.

For a complete list of performers and static displays and the most current information regarding AirFest 2009 please visit www.FlyRFD.com/airfest.html.

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