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EXPERIENCE THE ULTIMATE COLORADO PINBALL AND GAMER FESTIVAL

Play hundreds of pinball, retro console, and classic arcade video games June 10-12

Denver, Colo., Clear your calendar the weekend of June 10-12, 2016, for three amazing days with hundreds of pinball, retro console, and classic arcade video games to play for free with admission. Play a huge game list -- over 180 at last count -- and a variety of themes in pinball machines and classic arcade video games -- No Quarters Needed.

Things to do this weekend: 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? Game on! Experience the sights, sounds, and excitement of *hands-on* games. Play hundreds of games just for fun, or compete in tournaments for all ages and skill levels with trophies and cash prizes.

It is like the sportsman's expo for pinball, retro console video, and classic arcade video! Gameroom exhibitors of all types of games, parts, and collectibles are under one roof at this once-a-year festival for you to buy, sell, and mod.

Who ya goin' to call? Ghostbusters! Meet the Northern Colorado Ghostbusters, play the new Stern Ghostbusters pinball, and see the Ghostbusters car, ECTO-1. Chat with John Trudeau, designer of the new Stern Ghostbusters and many pinball favorites.

Arcade player of the century and star of *The King of Kong*, Billy Mitchell is coming to play PacMan, Donkey Kong and more! His character is iconized in popular films such as *Pixels* and *Wreck-It Ralph*. Founder of Twin Galaxies, the *Guinness Book of World Records* for video games, Walter Day is the forefather of competitive arcade gaming and known for his referee jersey attire -- remember the beloved arcade tech Mr. Litwak from Disney's film *Wreck-It Ralph*? Berzerk and Frenzy world record holder Joel West is one of the original competitive gamers. The documentary "Chasing Ghosts" features Life magazine's 1982 National Video Game Team's multi-state tour and World Video Game Championships, both of which Joel West and Billy Mitchell were part.

Learn from the best modder in the business, Ben Heckendorn, beloved in the pinball and gaming community for his art direction, code work, and design of Spooky Pinball's first hit, America's Most Haunted. He is now working on the much anticipated new game Rob Zombie's Spookshow International. Meet pinball innovator Gerry Stellenberg, creator of Multimorphic and the P3, a modular, multi-game, pinball platform that merges the physical gameplay characteristics everyone loves about pinball with dynamic and interactive artwork, modular shot layouts, and customizable cabinet styles.

Meet and watch the Extra Life Denver guild members play video games to help raise funds for sick and injured kids. Then visit the Denver Retro Gamers Meetup, a community of enthusiasts known for coming together with gaming discussions, to participate in its Saturday console gaming swap meet. Welcome your personal favorites with *PinGame Journal's* Jim Schelberg talking about "Hiding your gun while drunk and barenaked", experience the live pinball pontification of *The Pinball Podcast's* hosts Don and Jeff, and scoop the latest gaming advances with *Pinball News's* Martin Ayub.

General admission is \$30 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 10 p.m. Friday, June 10; 10 a.m. to midnight, Saturday, June 11; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 12.

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

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