

## *Pickled Pink*

### The EX-travagant New Foods of the 2023 CNE

Carnival culinary connoisseurs rejoice - the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) is back with another EX-ceptional selection of inventive, colourful and extravagantly indulgent new food options to tantalize the tastebuds. This year's CNE food vendors are tickled pink! Inspired by the popularity of Barbie™, and in celebration of *The Pink Floyd Exhibition* co-presented by the CNE -- there's no shortage of pink-themed food offerings from **Malibu Mac & Cheese to Nachos with Pink Queso Sauce, Pink Cookie Stuffed Chimney Cone** and **Pink Dragon fruit-topped Japanese Souffles** to a **Watermelon Burger**.



Or try one of the many pickle-flavoured treats this year from pickle lemonades to **Pickle Cotton Candy** and **Green Pickle Fries**; better yet, supersize it with a **4-Pound Taco, Footlong French Fries, or Quarter Pound Cheese-Stuffed Doritos**.

Some Fair classics are also getting new twists such as **Peanut Butter & Jelly Corn on the Cob, Churros Smores Sandwich, and Poutine Pizza**. Savoury bites and global fare include a **Tandoori Fried Chicken Sandwich between two Butter Chicken Samosas, to Crispy Frog Legs in Korean Sweet Chili Sauce**. And from the makers of last year's viral CNE craze, the Ketchup & Mustard Ice Cream – are two new savoury flavours: **Street Corn Ice Cream** and **Cheeseburger-Flavoured Ice Cream served on a cheddar dipped cone**.

In addition to the many zany offerings from the Food Building and Midway concessions, some of the city's best food trucks will be taking over Princes' Blvd. for the annual Food Truck Frenzy & Craft Beer Fest (Sat. Aug. 19 – Mon. Sept 4) with more than 30 food trucks representing the best of Toronto's multicultural food scene.

Come all – and come hungry! The CNE takes place August 18 – September 4, 2023.

#### 2023 CNE New Foods:

	<p><b><u>Malibu Mac &amp; Cheese</u></b></p> <p>A pink champagne three cheese macaroni &amp; cheese with aged white cheddar, Gruyère and Parmesan. Topped with a dollop of caviar served in a fresh baked bread bowl.</p> <p>Vendor: Eat My Bowls, Food Building</p>
	<p><b><u>Cookie Stuffed Chimney Cones</u></b></p> <p>Think Pink! This Cookie Stuffed Chimney Cone is an all-out pink party with a Strawberry Wafer Cookie Chimney Cone and a strawberry coulis centre topped with a house-made strawberry sugar cookie and classic strawberry wafer.</p> <p>Vendor: Eva's Original Chimneys, Food Building</p>



**Watermelon Burger**

A juicy burger topped with feta, mint, and spinach between two watermelon slices with balsamic glaze.

Vendor: Sam's Grill, Midway



**Pink Dragon Fruit Fluffy Pancake**

From the makers of the Japanese "souffle" pancakes comes their newest sensation topped with pink dragon fruit and strawberry whipped cream.

Vendor: Fuwa Fuwa, Food Building



**B'Licious**

Indulge in a strawberry lover's dream with our freakishly delicious strawberry milkshake. A creamy milkshake featuring billowing whipping cream, decadent ice cream cone, and crowned by a luscious strawberry cheesecake, this extravagant treat is a true delight for the senses.

Vendor: Dolce Inc. Factory Cheesecake, Food Building Booth #415



**Churros Smores**

A sweet hybrid of classic smores and traditional churros – combined to make the perfect sandwich treat.

Vendor: Pancho's Bakery, Food Building



**Pickle Fries**

Pickle this, pickle that, pickled french fries! A totally unique experience the entire family will love. Paired with a creamy dill-ranch sauce of course. Keep your eyes on the pickle fries!







Vendor: Mr. Vegetable, Midway



**4-Pound Taco**

A heavy-weight champion hard-shell taco weighing in at 4lbs of cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, sour cream, pico de gallo, avocado tomatillo salsa, pineapple, chorizo – and French fries.

Vendor: Machette, Food Building

	<p><b><u>Butter Chicken Overload</u></b></p> <p>You'll want to have plenty of napkins handy before you get your hands on Butter Chicken Overload. Tandoori fried chicken dunked in butter chicken sauce topped with lettuce, tomatoes, onions, tandoori aioli, cheddar cheese, butter chicken loaded fries all sandwiched between two butter chicken samosas.</p> <p>Vendor: Rick's Good Eats, Food Truck Frenzy</p>
	<p><b><u>Pickle Cotton Candy</u></b></p> <p>Vendor: Candy Time, Midway</p>
	<p><b><u>The Hang Ten</u></b></p> <p>Seared ahi tuna on a bed of rice with fresh avocado, jalapeños, pineapple salsa, pickled ginger, cucumber, scallions, black &amp; white sesame seeds and sriracha aioli served in a pineapple bowl.</p> <p>Vendor: Eat My Bowls, Food Building</p>
	<p><b><u>Korean Fried Frog Legs</u></b></p> <p>Crispy frog legs served in a Korean sweet chilli sauce.</p> <p>Vendor: Farm To Fryer, Food Building</p>
	<p><b><u>Poutine Pizza</u></b></p> <p>An authentic wood-fired pizza topped with poutine for two all-time favorite foods in one!</p> <p>Vendor: Wood Fired Pizza, Midway</p>
	<p><b><u>Street Corn Lemonade</u></b></p> <p>From the creators of the Mac &amp; Cheese and Spicy Pickle Lemonades, comes their newest innovation – the Street Corn Lemonade.</p> <p>Vendor: Real Fruit Splash, Midway</p>



### **Street Corn Ice Cream**

From the creators of the Ketchup and Mustard Ice Cream comes their latest invention, Cheese Burger Ice Cream: Served in a cheese-coated waffle cone, topped with a pretzel and a fresh pickle. Also try the Street Corn Ice Cream – with all the accoutrements such as lime, cotija cheese, and chile seasoning.

Vendor: So Cute Ice Cream, Midway



### **Krispy Kreme Blueberry Chicken Sandwich**

Epic Burger's signature crispy chicken breast sandwiched between two Classic Krispy Kreme glazed donuts and topped with sweet and spicy whipped blueberry cream cheese.

Vendor: Epic Burgers, Food Building



### **Holy Moly Cannoli**

A jumbo custom-made cinnamon cannoli stuffed with a slice of veal cutlet breaded and rolled with provolone cheese, and topped with provolone and pomodoro, a drizzle of garlic aioli, rainbow sprinkles and garnished with sweet and salty hickory sticks – holy moly indeed!

Vendor: San Franciscos, Food Building



### **Peanut Butter Jelly Corn**

A wacky take on Fair favourite Corn on the Cob – the Peanut Butter Jelly Corn is topped with peanut butter and jelly swirls.

Vendor: Corn Stars, Midway

	<p><b><u>Hula Girl Nachos</u></b></p> <p>Topped with pulled pork, shredded lettuce, tomatoes, onions, bacon, pineapple and a Pink pina colada sauce, Hula Girl Nachos</p> <p>Vendor: Nacho Hustle, Food Building</p>
	<p><b><u>Bacon Wrapped Wings</u></b></p> <p>This meaty monster feature is what happens when two brothers - one a wing connoisseur and one a bacon enthusiast - put their minds together. Presenting Bacon Wrapped Wings available in two sensational flavours - Hot Lime Siracha and Sweet Honey Thai.</p> <p>Vendor: Bacon Nation + Wings &amp; Tenders, Food Building</p>
	<p><b><u>Thanksgiving Poutine</u></b></p> <p>A meal within a meal! Crispy golden fries topped with mushroom gravy, cheese curds, cranberry mayo, stuffing - all the best Thanksgiving fixin's for a hearty meal that will have you craving the crisp fall weather.</p> <p>Vendor: Sam's Grill, Midway</p>
	<p><b><u>Peanut Butter Corndog &amp; Peanut Butter Pickle Dog</u></b></p> <p>With a perfectly crisped batter, imagine every delicious bite has the incredible taste of comforting peanut butter, complemented with a homestyle jam drizzled on the outside.</p> <p>Vendor: Coco's Corndogs, Midway</p>
	<p><b><u>Peanut butter Chocolate Corndog</u></b></p> <p>Corndogs are a true staple at any fair, these hand-held crispy battered corndogs dominate the "Food on a stick" craze. Try this new sweet and savoury take of a corndog.</p> <p>Vendor: Peanut Butter Chocolate Corndogs, Midway</p>
	<p><b><u>The Puffs: Luv Pebbles</u></b></p> <p>20 fresh mini pancakes loaded with Condensed Milk Drizzle, Fruity Pebbles and pineapple.</p> <p>Vendor: Toasties and Puffs, Midway</p>

	<p><b><u>Deep Fried Pizza Slice</u></b></p> <p>Enjoy a classic slice of cheese pizza coated in a special batter, deep fried with three exciting flavours to choose from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Classic/plain</li> <li>- Hot Honey, Pickles, Creamy Garlic &amp; Doritos</li> <li>- Buffalo Sauced</li> </ul> <p>Vendor: Pizza, Pizza, Galleria, Enercare Centre</p>
	<p><b><u>Mac &amp; Triple Cheese Chimichanga</u></b></p> <p>Deep fried tortilla stuffed with macaroni and cheese, topped with Doritos and cheese sauce.</p> <p>Vendor: Farm To Fryer, Food Building Booth #117</p>
	<p><b><u>Quarter Pound Cheese Stuffed Doritos</u></b></p> <p>Deep fried cheese coated with a crunchy Doritos crust.</p> <p>Vendor: Farm To Fryer, Food Building Booth #117</p>
	<p><b><u>Sweet &amp; Spicy Caramel Nuts</u></b></p> <p>Grab a spoon and dig into this fusion of creamy sweetness, bold cajun crunch, salted caramel sauce and fiery heat. The Sweet and Spicy Caramel Nuts frozen yogurt is a flavor journey you won't forget.</p> <p>Vendor: Yogen Fruz, Food Building</p>
	<p><b><u>Pineapple Lychee Habanero Tea</u></b></p> <p>The ultimate rollercoaster of flavors- refreshing, sweet, and then BAM! A burst of fiery delight. Introducing Pineapple Lychee Habanero Tea- the fiery fusion that will leave your taste buds dancing. This unique and adventurous green tea takes tropical sweetness to new heights with the tantalizing combo of pineapple, habanero, and luscious lychee.</p> <p>Vendor: Yogen Fruz, Food Building</p>
	<p><b><u>Footlong Freakk Fries</u></b></p> <p>The latest carnival favorite - Footlong Freakk Fries are making their CNE debut. Made of a special potato recipe, Crispy outside - soft inside. Drizzled with Garlic Aioli and generously sprinkled with Parmesan and Parsley flakes.</p> <p>Vendor: Footlong Freakk Fries, Midway</p>

