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Celebrate Your 4th of July Holiday at Navy Pier!

*Cirque Shanghai Performances, Landshark Beer Garden Concerts, 9 p.m.
Fireworks Show, All Active Members of the Military Ride the Ferris Wheel for
FREE and More!*

CHICAGO – With Chicago’s only fireworks, great food, live performances and more, Navy Pier is the perfect place to celebrate Independence Day!

Start your day off with **Cirque Shanghai’s** newest show, **Year of the Dragon**, a spectacle for audiences of all ages featuring performers from China who are experts at tumbling, juggling, balancing and many awe-inspiring and death-defying stunts. Cirque Shanghai will be adding special shows for the 4th of July holiday.

Cirque Shanghai – Year of the Dragon Shows:

Tuesday, July 3: 2 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Wednesday, July 4: 2 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Then, be sure to catch live musical performances at the Landshark Beer Garden while you relax in the shade with a cold beverage. Navy Pier offers free concerts in the beer garden all summer long with a fantastic line-up this 4th of July.

Wednesday, July 4th Landshark Beer Garden Schedule:

1:00pm April’s Reign (Pop/Rock)

4:00pm Breakfast Club (80’s Tribute)

7:00pm Rod Tuffcurls & The Bench Press (Pop/Rock)

Also, **Navy Pier** along with the **USO of Illinois** will also pay tribute to the troops this **4th of July** by offering all active service members of the U.S. military a **FREE ride on our iconic Ferris wheel!** Just show your military I.D. at the Pier Park ticket booth to receive a free ride on the Ferris wheel. Also, up to 5 people in the service member's party will be allowed to ride the Ferris wheel for \$3 - half off the regular price.

Finally, stay on the Pier to watch the magnificent Independence Day Fireworks Show - Chicago's only show on the 4th of July! The special extended show will be a patriotic delight that starts at **9:00 p.m.** Celebrate your 4th of July at Navy Pier!

Navy Pier's 4th of July celebration operating hours:

- Tuesday July 3rd – 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- Wednesday July 4th – 10:00 a.m. – Midnight ***Fireworks begin at 9 p.m.***

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A Chicago Landmark since 1916, Navy Pier has evolved from a freight passenger ship docking facility to the #1 tourist attraction in the Midwest, drawing nine million visitors annually. Navy Pier currently encompasses more than fifty acres of parks, gardens, shops, restaurants, family attractions and exhibit facilities, making it a tourists and visitors entertainment hub. For more information, visit our website at www.navy pier.com

The USO of Illinois' mission is to enhance the quality of life of the U.S. Armed Forces personnel and their families and to create a cooperative relationship between U.S. military communities and involved or supporting civilian communities. The USO of Illinois, in times of peace and war, delivers comfort and enhances the morale and well-being of the Active Duty, Guard and Reserve men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families through a variety of social, recreational, educational and entertainment programs and support services. Since 1941, the USO has served as a private, civilian 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization that relies solely on the generosity of the American people. For more information, please visit www.usoofillinois.org