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Everett Home & Garden Show

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Dear Exhibitor

I have made the determination to cancel the Everett Home & Garden Show March 13, 14, 15 at the Angel of the Winds Arena. Clearly this is to prevent risk of exposure of our valued exhibitors, attendees and the community at large to this virulent coronavirus.

As of today Sunday, March 8th, Governor Inslee is examining "mandatory measures" required to combat the spread of the deadly virus. "We've asked a whole host of communities to consider whether you really need to have your events right now." Everett Mayor Cassie Franklin and the Snohomish County Health District have also recommended canceling events larger than 50 attendees, i.e. the larger the group, the higher the risk.

Promoter Kirk Tourtillotte demonstrates an example of what is happening this weekend with the Seattle Golf Show and BMX Bike demonstrations. Tourtillotte reported that over 30 vendors backed out at the last minute and crowds were noticeably smaller, estimated to be cut in half. "We all are hurting financially because of this, no doubt."

The list of cancelations is growing rapidly:

Seattle Comic Con

Taste of Washington Wine Festival

University of Washington

30 schools from northern King County to Snohomish County

Potentially schools in Woodway, Mukilteo and Everett following a petition by 13,000 parents

A strong warning has been issued to older adults by health officials: 'stay at home as much as possible' due to the coronavirus. This is a key demographic of our show attendees.

It is clear that the coronavirus COVID 19 is contagious, volatile and presents many unknown factors. Health professionals' advice is clear: practice good hygiene, avoid large groups, and see your doctor for testing if needed.

With no open dates at the Arena until June, it is impossible to reschedule. We are now working towards next year with the dates of March 12, 13, 14, 2021.

I have been in this business for 31 years. After producing hundreds of events, I have never had to cancel any event we promoted. Thank you for your understanding under these extenuating and unresolved circumstances.

Yours truly
Jim Ashe