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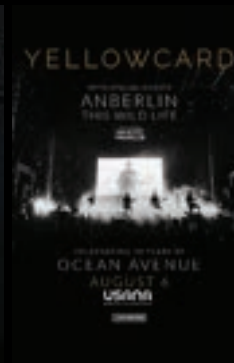
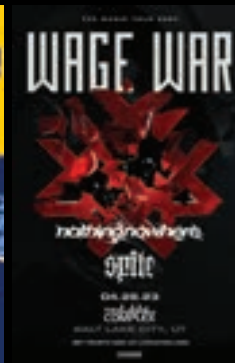
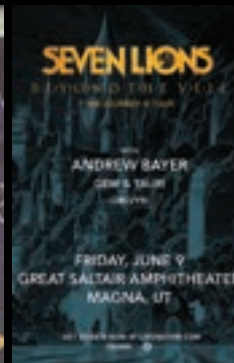
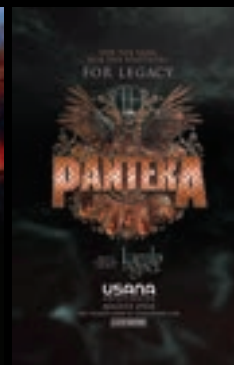
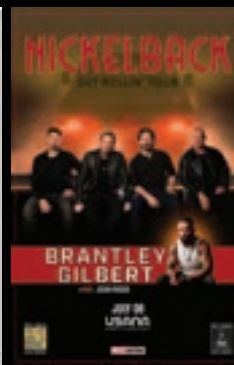
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TATTOO EXPO

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It's hard to believe three years ago was the last time there was a tattoo convention in Salt Lake City. The 2020 convention was one of the last events held at the Salt Palace before the world came screeching to a halt as COVID made the headlines. Many lives, livelihoods and businesses were impacted by the pandemic. Our hearts still ache for those we lost.

Throughout its 17 years, the convention was a cornerstone for the tattoo community and nearly became a casualty itself. The previous production company for the tattoo convention disbanded during the pandemic, and for two years there was a question if it would ever return. It was actually a fishing trip in Brazil that brought life back to the Tattoo Expo. Nate Drew, original founder, partner and captain of the ship of the SLC Tattoo Convention, was on an Amazon expedition with his fly fishing partner in crime, Thad Robison, where, like many fishing

trips, colorful conversation and discussions about solving the worlds problems take place between drinking beers and catching fish. A new partnership was created: Tucanare LLC, named after the colorful and fierce fish commonly known as the Peacock Bass, and a new banner was unfurled with the name Salt Lake City Tattoo Expo.

This is our inaugural year under the new flag, and there are still 17 years of history and grand tradition bringing a community together of artists, collectors, entertainers and rebels. Take some time to wander the aisles. See the different styles and techniques and view the history of tattooing in America by visiting the Good Time Charlie Tattoo Heritage Project booth.

Welcome to all of you attending, as well as the 460+ individual artists and vendors sharing their work and talents with our great city. Welcome to the 2023 Salt Lake City Tattoo Expo.

Sincerely yours,
Nate Drew, Thad Robison



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FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH

DOORS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC >>>>>> 3 P.M. – 11 P.M.

TATTOO CONTEST REGISTRATION >>>> 3 P.M. – 7 P.M. (\$10 entry fee)

TATTOO CONTEST BEGIN AT >>>>>>> 7 P.M.

- ◆ Small Black & Gray Tattoo (No Larger than 6"x6")
- ◆ Small Color Tattoo (No Larger than 6"x6")

TATTOO OF THE DAY CONTEST >>>>> 10 P.M.

(No entry fee, contest registration all day.
Must be started and completed the day of)

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH

DOORS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC >>>>>> 12 P.M. – 11 P.M.

TATTOO CONTEST REGISTRATION >>>> 12 P.M. – 5 P.M. (\$10 entry fee)

TATTOO CONTEST BEGIN AT >>>>>>> 5:00 P.M.

- ◆ Best Traditional Tattoo
- ◆ Best Portrait Tattoo
- ◆ Best Large Black & Gray Tattoo
- ◆ Best Large Color Tattoo

TATTOO OF THE DAY CONTEST >>>>>> 10 P.M.

(No entry fee, contest registration all day.
Must be started and completed the day of)

SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH

DOORS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC >>>>>> 12 P.M. – 8 P.M.

TATTOO CONTEST REGISTRATION >>>> 2 P.M. – 5 P.M. (\$10 entry fee)

TATTOO CONTEST BEGIN AT >>>>>>> 5 P.M.

- ◆ Best Sleeve Tattoo (3/4 or larger, arm or leg)
- ◆ Best Japanese Tattoo
- ◆ Best Collection "Body Suit" (for heavily tattooed contestants)
- ◆ Best Back/Torso

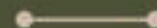
TATTOO OF THE DAY CONTEST >>>>>> 7 P.M.

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Welcome to the 2023 Salt Lake City Tattoo Expo!

Residents, local tattoo artists and families from surrounding communities are looking forward to celebrating the return of this popular event.

The lively colors, the innovative and creative designs, and the talented artists, both domestic and international, are a welcome addition to our City. This year more than 90% of the participating artists are from outside the state of Utah.

I'm excited to see the thousands of attendees visit the Salt Palace's largest exhibit space this year – a testament to how the show has broadened its base.

Event organizers tell me this convention is seen as one of the best in the country. It's not surprising, though, as our community is known for being kind and welcoming. Many of our businesses provide special offers to attendees, and residents have been known to buy meals and bring gifts for convention artists and vendors.

I hope you'll stay downtown after a day at the show and enjoy more of what our City has to offer. Celebrate your new tattoo with a cocktail or a pint at one of our many bars and restaurants. Or take in a concert or a Utah Jazz game.

- Friday, Mar. 17 Utah Opera at Capitol Theater
- Friday, Mar. 17 The National Parks: 8th Wonder Tour at The Union
- Saturday, Mar. 18 Utah Jazz vs. Boston Celtics at Vivint Arena

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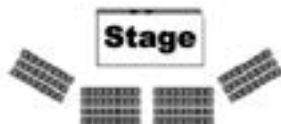
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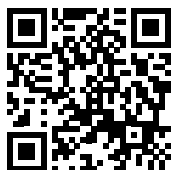


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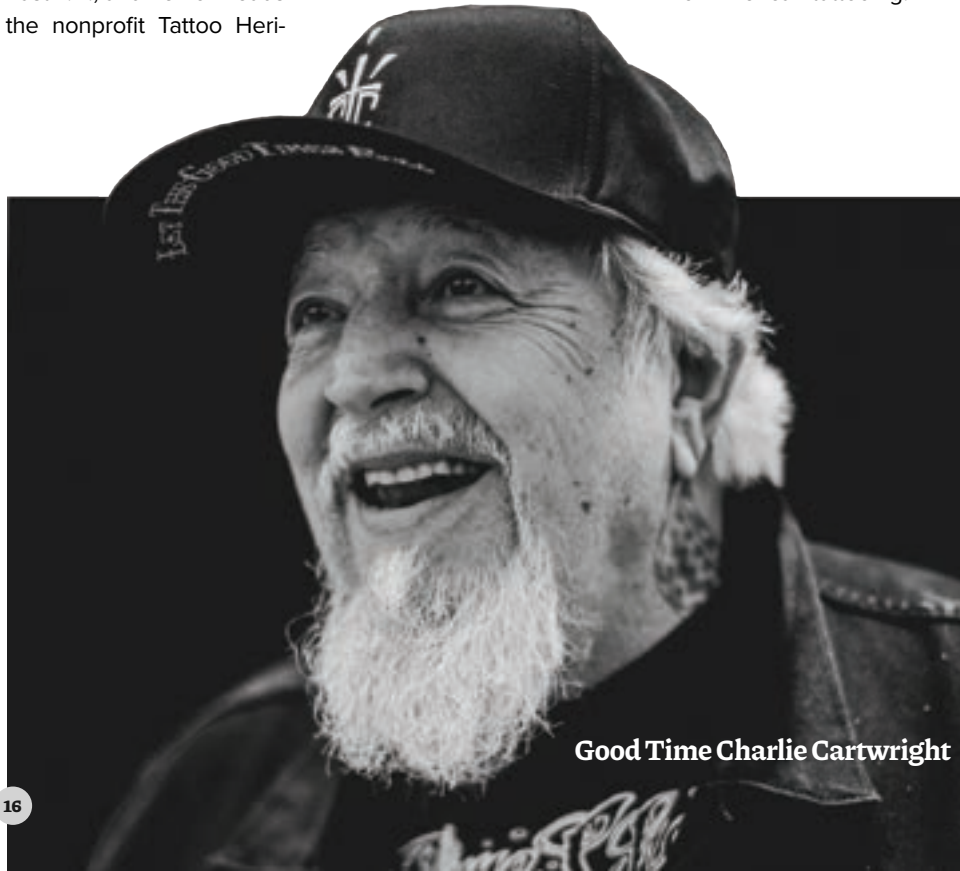
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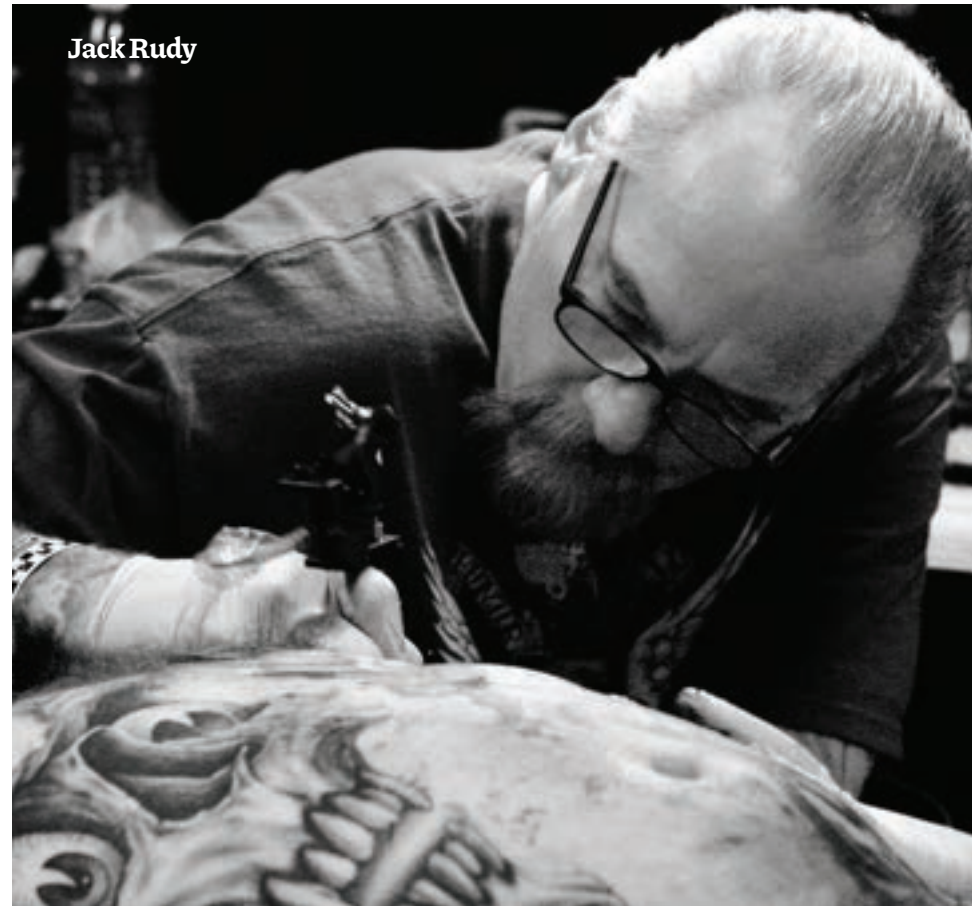
Renowned tattoo artist and “founder of the fine-line, single-needle tattoo movement” Good Time Charlie Cartwright accrued 45 years of experience, tattooing from age 15 until his retirement at 60. Good Time Charlie graduated from giving his friends stick-and-poke pieces in the back of a Sedan to running his own shop, *Good Time Charlie's*, in 1970s East L.A., and he now leads the nonprofit Tattoo Heri-

“Collaborator and catalyst for the education and preservation of American tattoo history.”

tage Project, who describe themselves as a “collaborator and catalyst for the education and preservation of American tattoo history.” In addition to their preservation and education efforts through art sales, docu-series and more, the nonprofit is in the process of opening the *Tattoo History Museum*, a permanent space dedicated to the history and art of American tattooing.



Good Time Charlie Cartwright



Jack Rudy

The *Tattoo History Museum* will exist in *The Pike* outlets in Long Beach, California, a historic location for tattooing. Throughout the 20th century, *The Pike* was home to hundreds of tattoo shops and today still hosts the oldest tattoo parlor in America, now called *Outer Limits Tattoo*, opened in 1927. Significant artists from the area's past include Dainty Dotty, Zeke Owen, Bob Roberts and Good Time Charlie himself. The Tattoo Heritage Project's *Tattoo History Museum* will exist in this historic space and cement *The Pike's* reputation as a tattooing mecca and honor the area's storied past as a genesis point for numerous artists and styles.

In pursuit of this project, the Tattoo Heritage Project is currently seeking donations to help fund the creation of the museum and a new docu-series produced and directed by acclaimed documentarian Estevan Oriol about *The Pike* and Long Beach's history in tattoo arts. If you want to support the project, visit tattooheritageproject.org/collections/all to donate, buy merch and find more information.

Look for Good Time Charlie Cartwright (Tattoo Heritage Project Founder) and Jack Rudy (Tattoo Heritage Project Board Member) at the 2023 Salt Lake City Tattoo Expo.

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