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## **MINNEAPOLIS TO HOST 2026 *SUMMERSLAM*<sup>®</sup>**

*Two-Night SummerSlam Heads to Minneapolis on Saturday, August 1 & Sunday, August 2, 2026, at U.S. Bank Stadium*

**STAMFORD, Conn., May 23, 2024** – WWE<sup>®</sup>, part of TKO Group Holdings (NYSE: TKO), in partnership with Minnesota Sports and Events (MNSE), today announced that Minneapolis will host *WWE SummerSlam* over two nights on Saturday, August 1, and Sunday, August 2, 2026, at U.S. Bank Stadium.

The 2026 edition of *SummerSlam* will be the first Premium Live Event in Minneapolis since *TLC: Tables, Ladders and Chairs* in 2019 and will mark the first time WWE will host a stadium event in the city. In addition to the massive two-night event, WWE and MNSE will deliver a host of fan and community events in the days leading up to and after *SummerSlam*.

“U.S. Bank Stadium is an absolutely world-class venue, situated in a city with rich wrestling history and an amazing fan base,” said Chris Legentil, WWE EVP, Talent Relations & Head of Communications. “We’re excited to bring two nights of *SummerSlam* to Minneapolis in 2026.”

“U.S. Bank Stadium is honored to host WWE’s *SummerSlam* on Minnesota’s biggest stage in 2026,” said Michael Vekich, Chair of the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority. “We look forward to providing a warm welcome and best-in-class experience at U.S. Bank Stadium for WWE Superstars, staff, fans, and guests.”

“We are thrilled to welcome the WWE Universe to Minnesota for *SummerSlam*,” said Wendy Blackshaw, President and CEO of Minnesota Sports and Events. “We will make this summertime wrestling extravaganza accessible for fans of all ages. Through a variety of festivities and ancillary events in the Twin Cities and affordable tickets to the main events at U.S. Bank Stadium, this will be a *SummerSlam* for all.”

U.S. Bank Stadium, the home of the Minnesota Vikings, is a state-of-the-art indoor facility in the heart of Minneapolis which opened in 2016. The stadium has hosted several high-profile events such as Super Bowl LII (2018) and the NCAA Men’s Final Four (2019). In 2023, *The Athletic* named U.S. Bank Stadium the NFL’s top venue.

The announcement comes on the heels of a record-breaking ticket on-sale event for this

year's *SummerSlam* which will take place at Cleveland Browns Stadium on Saturday, August 3. In 2023, *SummerSlam* at Ford Field in Detroit set a gate record for any non-*WrestleMania* event with \$8.5 million, which has since been surpassed by the 2024 *Royal Rumble* in January.

To learn more about registering for pre-sale opportunities, please visit: <https://www.wwe.com/summerslam2026-presale-registration>.

#### **About WWE**

WWE® is an integrated media organization and the recognized global leader in sports entertainment. The company consists of a portfolio of businesses that create and deliver original content 52 weeks a year to a global audience. WWE is committed to family-friendly entertainment on its television programming, premium live events, digital media, and publishing platforms. WWE's TV-PG programming can be seen in more than 1 billion households worldwide in 25 languages through world-class distribution partners including NBCUniversal, FOX Sports, TNT Sports, Sony India and Rogers. The award-winning WWE Network includes all premium live events, scheduled programming and a massive video-on-demand library and is currently available in approximately 165 countries. In the United States, NBCUniversal's streaming service, Peacock, is the exclusive home to WWE Network. WWE is part of TKO Group Holdings (NYSE: TKO). Additional information on WWE can be found at [wwe.com](http://wwe.com) and [corporate.wwe.com](http://corporate.wwe.com).

#### **About U.S. Bank Stadium**

U.S. Bank Stadium, owned by the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority and managed by ASM Global, is a multi-purpose stadium located in the heart of Minneapolis, Minnesota. With over 66,000 seats, this state-of-the-art facility hosts prominent national and international programming including the Minnesota Vikings, concerts, family shows, college and high school sporting events, conventions, trade/consumer shows, community events and corporate or private meetings. U.S. Bank Stadium is the home of the Minnesota Vikings, ESPN's Summer X Games (2017 - 2019), Super Bowl LII (2018), and the NCAA Men's Final Four (2019). U.S. Bank Stadium was certified LEED Gold for Building Design and Construction (BD+C), certified LEED Platinum for Operations and Maintenance (O+M), and awarded the 2019 International Association of Venue Managers (IAVM) Venue Excellence Award. Since opening in July 2016, U.S. Bank Stadium has hosted more than 1,720 events with over 7.95 million guests. For more information, visit [www.usbankstadium.com](http://www.usbankstadium.com).

#### **About Minnesota Sports and Events**

Minnesota Sports and Events is an independent 501c6 organization designed to bring significant economic, reputational, and social impact to the region through the attraction, promotion, and execution of world-class events. MNSE also advances community initiatives associated with each event with a focus on underserved communities and statewide engagement. For more information, visit [www.mnsportsandevents.org](http://www.mnsportsandevents.org).

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