

The History of Wrestling in Nebraska Through the Eyes of a Superfan

Nebraska has a rich and storied history in the world of professional wrestling. From the early days of territorial wrestling to the modern era of WWE and AEW, Nebraska has been home to some of the biggest names and most memorable moments in the squared circle.

In this article, we will take a look at the history of wrestling in Nebraska through the eyes of a superfan. We will explore the different eras of wrestling in the state, from the early days of the Nebraska Wrestling Alliance to the current day. We will also take a look at some of the most famous wrestlers from Nebraska, including Bob Backlund, Ric Flair, and The Undertaker.



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So sit back, relax, and enjoy this journey through the history of wrestling in Nebraska.

The Early Days of Wrestling in Nebraska

The first professional wrestling matches in Nebraska were held in the early 1900s. These matches were typically held in small towns and cities, and they featured local wrestlers who were competing for small purses.

In the 1920s, the Nebraska Wrestling Alliance (NWA) was formed. The NWA was a regional wrestling promotion that held events throughout Nebraska and the surrounding states. The NWA was home to some of the biggest names in wrestling at the time, including Ed "Strangler" Lewis and Lou Thesz.

In the 1930s, the NWA began to hold events in larger cities, such as Omaha and Lincoln. These events were a major success, and they helped to make wrestling one of the most popular sports in Nebraska.

The Golden Age of Wrestling in Nebraska

The 1950s and 1960s were known as the "Golden Age" of wrestling in Nebraska. During this time, the NWA was the dominant wrestling promotion in the state, and it held events in sell-out arenas across Nebraska.

Some of the biggest names in wrestling during this time wrestled in Nebraska, including Bob Backlund, Ric Flair, and The Undertaker. These

wrestlers helped to make Nebraska a major stop on the professional wrestling circuit.

The Modern Era of Wrestling in Nebraska

In the 1980s, the NWA began to decline in popularity. This was due in part to the rise of national wrestling promotions, such as the WWF and WCW.

In the 1990s, the WWF and WCW merged to form the WWE. The WWE became the dominant wrestling promotion in the United States, and it held events in Nebraska on a regular basis.

In the 2000s, the WWE began to focus more on its national television programming. This led to a decline in the number of live events held in Nebraska.

However, wrestling is still alive and well in Nebraska. There are a number of independent wrestling promotions that hold events throughout the state. These promotions feature local wrestlers, as well as wrestlers from around the country.

Famous Wrestlers from Nebraska

Nebraska has produced a number of famous wrestlers over the years. Some of the most notable include:

* Bob Backlund: Backlund is a two-time WWE World Heavyweight Champion. He is also a member of the WWE Hall of Fame. * Ric Flair: Flair is a 16-time world heavyweight champion. He is considered by many to be the greatest wrestler of all time. * The Undertaker: The Undertaker is a seven-time WWE World Heavyweight Champion. He is also a member of

the WWE Hall of Fame. * Chris Jericho: Jericho is a six-time world heavyweight champion. He is also a member of the WWE Hall of Fame.

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So if you are a fan of wrestling, be sure to check out one of the many events held in Nebraska. You won't be disappointed.



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