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Rocket League Set To Take Part In The Summer X Games

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Everything seems to be coming up big for Psyonix and *Rocket League*. The game is nearing its two year anniversary, and the developer **has already confirmed**

(<http://comicbook.com/gaming/2017/06/28/rick-and-morty-invading-multiple-party-games-rocket-league/>) that it will be releasing *Rick and Morty* content for it to celebrate.

But that's not all, as it's about to find some major esports competition at a big event – the Summer X Games!

Usually known for more extreme activities, the Summer X Games will be home to a *Rocket League* tournament for the first time, as part of a collaboration between Psyonix and Facelt. Titled the FACEIT X Games Rocket League (/category/rocket-league) Invitational, it will feature a \$75,000 prize pool, and will be streamed live on ESPN 3 when the tournament takes place from July 14th through the 16th.



The company released a press statement announcing the deal, with Psyonix esports manager Josh Watson saying, "The X Games and ESPN have done a great job of bringing attention to nontraditional sports over the years. Adding esports and *Rocket League* to that lineup is something we at Psyonix are very excited about." (<http://comicbook.com/gaming>)

This will mark the latest occasion that the X Games has hosted some related esports activity, as the previously held Winter X Games were home to a previous *Halo 5: Guardians* competition, which got positive feedback from the gaming community. No doubt *Rocket League* will do the same, as it's really starting to pick up momentum in the esports world.

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The Summer X Games will take place from July 13th through the 16th in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and ESPN is expected to showcase a number of extreme events from the Games, including motocross, skateboarding, BMX and more. While it's slightly disappointing that *Rocket League* isn't going primetime, ESPN 3 still has a good enough reach with its audience to be a big hit.

Could we be looking at esports becoming a bigger and bigger staple in the X Games overall? We've started to see more games enter the fray as of late, and they've gotten really popular with casual and gaming fans alike. ESPN hasn't made that call yet, but we'll see how the Summer X Games fare in just a few weeks!

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Also, in case you missed it, *Rocket League* **will also be getting its own tournament on NBC (<http://comicbook.com/gaming/2017/06/21/nbc-sports-hosting-its-own-rocket-league-tournament/>)** as well.

Rocket League is available now for [Xbox One \(/category/xbox-one/\)](/category/xbox-one/), PlayStation 4 and [PC \(/category/pc/\)](/category/pc/), and will release later this year for [Nintendo Switch \(/category/nintendo-switch/\)](/category/nintendo-switch/).