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FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Planet Fitness, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

38-3942097
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

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| Large accelerated filer | | Accelerated filer |
| Non-accelerated filer | (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) | Smaller reporting company |

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| | Proposed | Proposed | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| | Amount | Maximum | Maximum |
| Title of Each Class of | to Be | Offering Price | Aggregate |
| Securities to be Registered | Registered⁽¹⁾ | per Share⁽²⁾ | Offering Price⁽²⁾ |
| | | | Amount of |
| | | | Registration Fee⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ |

Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value
per share

- (1) This registration statement includes an unspecified aggregate initial offering price and number of shares of Class A common stock of Planet Fitness, Inc., including shares of Class A common stock issuable upon exchange of an equivalent number of common units of Pla-Fit Holdings, LLC (together with an equal number of shares of our Class B common stock), as may from time to time be offered at indeterminate prices, and as may be issued upon conversion, repurchase or exchange thereof. In accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant is deferring payment of all of the related registration fees. Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), the Registrant is also registering an indeterminable number of shares of Class A common stock as may be issued from time to time as a result of stock splits and stock dividends.
- (2) The average of the high and low prices of our Class A common stock on December 19, 2016, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange was \$20.78 per share. Based on this assumed price and a maximum offering size of up to 47,406,284 shares, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price will not exceed \$985,102,581.52. A registration fee of \$68,089 was previously paid in connection with 30,860,510 shares of Class A common stock registered by the Registrant under the registration statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-213417) filed on September 1, 2016 (the Prior Registration Statement), but that remain unsold. Such registration fee previously paid with respect to such unsold shares of Class A common stock is transferred and carried forward for application with the offerings under this registration statement pursuant to Rule 457(p) under the Securities Act. As a result, the offering of such unsold shares of Class A common stock under the Prior Registration Statement will be deemed terminated as of the date of effectiveness of this registration statement.

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Prospectus

Planet Fitness, Inc.

Class A Common Stock

The selling stockholders may, in one or more offerings, offer and sell our Class A common stock, including the possible resale, from time to time, of shares of our Class A common stock issuable upon exchange of an equivalent number of common units of our subsidiary, Pla-Fit Holdings, LLC (Holdings Units), together with an equal number of shares of our Class B common stock, by certain selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders from time to time may offer and sell the shares directly or through agents or broker-dealers on terms to be determined at the time of sale, as described in more detail in this prospectus. In connection with any offering of shares we may provide a prospectus supplement and attach it to this prospectus, which may add, update or change information contained in this prospectus.

This prospectus describes the general manner in which the shares of our Class A common stock may be offered and sold by the selling stockholders. The identity of, and specific information required with respect to, the selling stockholders, and the specific manner in which shares of Class A common stock may be offered and sold will be described in a supplement to this prospectus.

Our Class A common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the symbol PLNT. On December 22, 2016, the last sale price of our common stock as reported on the NYSE was \$19.97 per share.

We are an emerging growth company as that term is used in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 and, as such, have elected to avail ourselves of certain reduced public company reporting requirements for this prospectus and future filings.

Investing in our Class A common stock involves risk. See Risk factors on page 2 of this prospectus and any risk factors described in any applicable prospectus supplement and in the documents we incorporate by reference to read about factors you should consider before buying shares of our Class A common stock.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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We are responsible for the information contained in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement and in any free writing prospectus we prepare or authorize. Neither we nor the selling stockholders have authorized anyone to provide you with different information, and neither we nor the selling stockholders take responsibility for any other information others may give you. This prospectus or any accompanying prospectus supplement does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities other than the registered securities to which they relate, and neither we nor the selling stockholders are making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement is accurate as of any date other than its date.

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About this prospectus

This prospectus is part of a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 that we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), as a well-known seasoned issuer as defined under Rule 405 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), using a shelf registration process. Under this shelf registration statement, the selling stockholders may offer and sell the shares of our Class A common stock, from time to time, in one or more offerings, in any manner described below under the heading Plan of distribution. This prospectus provides you with a general description of our common stock. Each time the selling stockholders sell shares of Class A common stock under this shelf registration, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering, including the specific amounts and prices of the shares of Class A common stock offered and information about the selling stockholders. A prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. Any statement that we make in this prospectus will be modified or superseded by any inconsistent statement made by us in a prospectus supplement. Before making your investment decision, you should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, including all documents incorporated herein or therein by reference, together with additional information described under Where you can find more information and Incorporation by reference.

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Our company

We are one of the largest and fastest-growing franchisors and operators of fitness centers in the United States by number of members and locations, with a highly recognized national brand. Our mission is to enhance people's lives by providing a high-quality fitness experience in a welcoming, non-intimidating environment, which we call the Judgement Free Zone, where anyone and we mean anyone can feel they belong. Our bright, clean stores are typically 20,000 square feet, with a large selection of high-quality, purple and yellow Planet Fitness-branded cardio, circuit- and weight-training equipment and friendly staff trainers who offer unlimited free fitness instruction to all our members in small groups through our PE@PF program. We offer this differentiated fitness experience at only \$10 per month for our standard membership. This exceptional value proposition is designed to appeal to a broad population, including occasional gym users and the approximately 80% of the U.S. and Canadian populations over age 14 who are not gym members, particularly those who find the traditional fitness club setting intimidating and expensive. We and our franchisees fiercely protect Planet Fitness' community atmosphere—a place where you do not need to be fit before joining and where progress toward achieving your fitness goals (big or small) is supported and applauded by our staff and fellow members.

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Risk factors

An investment in our Class A common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described in Item 1A. Risk Factors in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), including any subsequent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, before purchasing shares of our Class A common stock. See Where you can find more information for information about how to obtain a copy of these documents. If any of those risks actually occurs, our business, prospects, operating results and financial condition could suffer materially, the trading price of our Class A common stock could decline and you could lose all or part of your investment. You should also carefully consider the risks and other information that may be contained in, or incorporated by reference into, any prospectus supplement relating to the specific offering, including in the Risk Factors section of that prospectus supplement.

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Cautionary note regarding forward-looking statements

This prospectus, including information incorporated by reference herein, contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are neither historical facts nor assurances of future performance. Instead, they are based on our current beliefs, expectations and assumptions regarding the future of our business, future plans and strategies and other future conditions. Forward-looking statements can be identified by words such as anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, intend, may, plan, predict, project, target, potential, will, would, could, and other similar expressions, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words.

We may not actually achieve the plans, intentions or expectations disclosed in our forward-looking statements, and you should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements. Actual results or events could differ materially from the plans, intentions and expectations disclosed in the forward-looking statements we make. Important factors that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements include, among others, the following:

our dependence on the operational and financial results of, and our relationships with, our franchisees and the success of their new and existing stores;

our ability to protect our brand and reputation;

our ability to execute our growth strategy, including through development of new stores by new and existing franchisees;

our ability to manage our growth and associated strain on our resources;

our ability to successfully identify and secure appropriate franchisees and sites, and timely develop and expand our operations;

data security and the vulnerability of our information systems;

our and our franchisees' ability to attract and retain members;

the high level of competition in the health and fitness industry;

our dependence on a small number of equipment suppliers;

our ability to maintain sufficient levels of cash flow, or access to capital, to meet growth expectations;

our dependence on key executive management;

our ability to identify qualified individuals for our workforce;

our ability to adequately protect our intellectual property;

risks related to franchisees generally;

share repurchases and dividends;

our business model being susceptible to litigation;

the substantial indebtedness of our subsidiary, Planet Fitness Holdings, LLC;

TSG Consumer Partners, LLC's significant influence over us;

risks relating to our corporate structure and tax receivable agreements; and

the other factors identified under the heading "Risk factors" elsewhere in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement or incorporated by reference therein.

The forward-looking statements in this prospectus represent our views as of the date of such statement. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

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Use of proceeds

The selling stockholders will receive all of the net proceeds from any sales pursuant to this prospectus. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of shares of Class A common stock offered by the selling stockholders. We will, however, bear the costs associated with the sale of shares by the selling stockholders, other than underwriting discounts and commissions.

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Description of capital stock

General

The following description of our capital stock is intended as a summary only and is qualified in its entirety by reference to our restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws, which are filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, and to the applicable provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL").

Our authorized capital stock consists of 300,000,000 shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, 100,000,000 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, and 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.0001 per share.

Common stock

Voting rights. Holders of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock are entitled to cast one vote per share on all matters submitted to stockholders for their approval. Holders of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock are not entitled to cumulate their votes in the election of directors. Holders of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock vote together as a single class on all matters submitted to stockholders for their vote or approval, except with respect to the amendment of certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation that would alter or change the powers, preferences or special rights of the Class B common stock so as to affect them adversely, which amendments must be approved by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Class B common stock, voting as a separate class, or as otherwise required by applicable law. The voting power of the outstanding Class B common stock (expressed as a percentage of the total voting power of all common stock) is equal to the percentage of Holdings Units not held directly or indirectly by Planet Fitness, Inc.

Generally, all matters to be voted on by stockholders must be approved by a majority of votes cast affirmatively or negatively on a matter by stockholders (or, in the case of election of directors, by a plurality), voting together as a single class. Except as otherwise provided by law, amendments to the certificate of incorporation must be approved by a majority or, in some cases, a super-majority of the combined voting power of all shares entitled to vote, voting together as a single class.

Dividend rights. Holders of Class A common stock share ratably (based on the number of shares of Class A common stock held) if and when any dividend is declared by the board of directors out of funds legally available therefor, subject to any statutory or contractual restrictions on the payment of dividends and to any restrictions on the payment of dividends imposed by the terms of any outstanding preferred stock. The holders of our Class B common stock do not have any right to receive dividends other than dividends consisting of shares of our Class B common stock paid proportionally with respect to each outstanding share of our Class B common stock.

Liquidation rights. On our liquidation, dissolution or winding up and after payment in full of all amounts required to be paid to creditors and to the holders of preferred stock having liquidation preferences, if any, each holder of Class A common stock are entitled to a pro rata distribution of any assets available for distribution to common stockholders. Other than their par value, the holders of our Class B common stock do not have any right to receive a distribution upon a liquidation or dissolution of our Company.

Other matters. No shares of Class A common stock or Class B common stock are subject to redemption or have preemptive rights to purchase additional shares of Class A common stock or Class B common stock. Holders of shares of our Class A common stock and Class B common stock do not have subscription, redemption or conversion rights.

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There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the Class A common stock or Class B Common Stock. All the outstanding shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

Transfers of Class B common stock. Pursuant to the recapitalization agreement and the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Pla-Fit Holdings, LLC (the New LLC Agreement), each holder of Class B common stock agrees that:

the holder will not transfer any shares of Class B common stock to any person unless the holder transfers an equal number of Holdings Units to the same person; and

in the event the holder transfers any Holdings Units to any person, the holder will transfer an equal number of shares of Class B common stock to the same person.

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Preferred stock

Our board of directors may, without further action by our stockholders, from time to time, direct the issuance of shares of preferred stock in series and may, at the time of issuance, determine the designations, powers, preferences, privileges and relative participating, optional or special rights, as well as the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, including dividend rights, conversion rights, voting rights, terms of redemption and liquidation preferences, any or all of which may be greater than the rights of the Class A common stock. Satisfaction of any dividend preferences of outstanding shares of preferred stock would reduce the amount of funds available for the payment of dividends on shares of our Class A common stock. Holders of shares of preferred stock may be entitled to receive a preference payment in the event of our liquidation before any payment is made to the holders of shares of our Class A common stock. Under certain circumstances, the issuance of shares of preferred stock may render more difficult or tend to discourage a merger, tender offer or proxy contest, the assumption of control by a holder of a large block of our securities or the removal of incumbent management. Upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the total number of directors then in office, our board of directors, without stockholder approval, may issue shares of preferred stock with voting and conversion rights which could adversely affect the holders of shares of our Class A common stock and the market value of our Class A common stock. Upon consummation of this offering, there are no shares of preferred stock outstanding, and we have no present intention to issue any shares of preferred stock.

Stockholders agreement

In connection with the IPO, we entered into a stockholders agreement with investment funds affiliated with TSG Consumer Partners, LLC (TSG) pursuant to which TSG has specified board representation rights, governance rights and other rights.

Registration rights

In connection with the IPO, all of the existing equity owners Pla-Fit Holdings, LLC and investment funds affiliated with TSG that hold issued and outstanding membership interests in Pla-Fit Holdings, LLC (Holdings Units) and shares of Class A common stock, and certain current and former employees and directors that hold Holdings Units, are entitled to rights with respect to the registration of their shares under the Securities Act. These registration rights are contained in our registration rights agreement.

Anti-takeover effects of our certificate of incorporation and our bylaws

Our certificate of incorporation and our bylaws contain provisions that may delay, defer or discourage another party from acquiring control of us. We expect that these provisions will discourage coercive takeover practices or inadequate takeover bids. These provisions are also designed to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to first negotiate with the board of directors, which we believe may result in an improvement of the terms of any such acquisition in favor of our stockholders. However, they may also discourage acquisitions that some stockholders may favor.

These provisions include:

Classified board. Our certificate of incorporation provides that our board of directors is divided into three classes of directors. As a result, approximately one-third of our board of directors is elected each year. The classification of directors has the effect of making it more difficult for stockholders to change the composition of our board.

Our board of directors is composed of nine members.

No cumulative voting. The DGCL provides that stockholders are not entitled to the right to cumulate votes in the election of directors unless the certificate of incorporation specifically authorizes cumulative voting. Our certificate of incorporation does not authorize cumulative voting.

Requirements for removal of directors. Directors may only be removed for cause by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75% of the voting power of our outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote thereon.

Advance notice procedures. Our bylaws establish an advance notice procedure for stockholder proposals to be brought before an annual meeting of our stockholders, including proposed nominations of persons for election to the board of directors. Stockholders at an annual meeting will only be able to consider proposals or nominations specified in the notice of meeting or brought before the meeting by or at the direction of the board of directors or by a stockholder who was a stockholder of record on the record date for the meeting, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has given our secretary timely written notice, in proper form, of the stockholder's intention to bring that business before the meeting. Although the bylaws do not give the board of directors the power to approve or disapprove stockholder nominations of candidates or proposals regarding other business to be conducted at a special or annual meeting, the bylaws may have the effect of precluding the conduct of certain business at a meeting if the proper procedures are not followed or may discourage or deter a potential acquiror from conducting a solicitation of proxies to elect its own slate of directors or otherwise attempting to obtain control of our Company.

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Actions by written consent; special meetings of stockholders. Our certificate of incorporation provides that stockholder action can be taken only at an annual or special meeting of stockholders and cannot be taken by written consent in lieu of a meeting. Our certificate of incorporation also provides that, except as otherwise required by law, special meetings of the stockholders can only be called by or at the direction of the chairman of the board, a majority of the board of directors, or by the secretary at the request of the holders of 50% or more of our outstanding shares of common stock.

Supermajority approval requirements. Certain amendments to our certificate of incorporation and shareholder amendments to our bylaws will require the affirmative vote of at least 75% of the voting power of the outstanding shares of our capital stock entitled to vote thereon.

Authorized but unissued shares. Our authorized but unissued shares of common and preferred stock are available for future issuance without stockholder approval. The existence of authorized but unissued shares of preferred stock could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of us by means of a proxy contest, tender offer, merger or otherwise.

Business combinations with interested stockholders. We have elected in our certificate of incorporation not to be subject to Section 203 of the DGCL, an antitakeover law. In general, Section 203 prohibits a publicly held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination, such as a merger, with a person or group owning 15% or more of the corporation's voting stock for a period of three years following the date the person became an interested stockholder, unless (with certain exceptions) the business combination or the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder is approved in a prescribed manner. While we will not be subject to any anti-takeover effects of Section 203, our certificate of incorporation contains provisions that have the same effect as Section 203, except that they provide that investment funds affiliated with TSG will not be deemed to be an interested stockholder, regardless of the percentage of our voting stock owned by investment funds affiliated with TSG, and accordingly we will not be subject to such restrictions.

Exclusive forum

Our certificate of incorporation requires, to the fullest extent permitted by law, that derivative actions brought in the name of the Company, actions against directors, officers and employees for breach of a fiduciary duty and other similar actions may be brought only in specified courts in the State of Delaware. Although we believe this provision benefits us by providing increased consistency in the application of Delaware law in the types of lawsuits to which it applies, the provision may have the effect of discouraging lawsuits against our directors and officers.

Corporate opportunities

Our certificate of incorporation provides that we renounce any interest or expectancy in the business opportunities of TSG and of its officers, directors, agents, stockholders, members, partners, affiliates and subsidiaries and each such party shall not have any obligation to offer us those opportunities unless presented to one of our directors or officers in his or her capacity as a director or officer.

Limitations on liability and indemnification of directors and officers

Our certificate of incorporation limits the liability of our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL and requires that we will provide them with customary indemnification. We also entered into customary

indemnification agreements with each of our directors that provide them, in general, with customary indemnification in connection with their service to us or on our behalf. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, we have been informed that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy and is therefore unenforceable. We also maintain officers and directors liability insurance that insures against liabilities that our officers and directors may incur in such capacities.

Transfer agent and registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our Class A common stock is American Stock Transfer and Trust Company, LLC.

Listing

Our Class A common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol PLNT.

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Plan of distribution

This prospectus relates to the possible resale, from time to time, by the selling stockholders to be identified in a prospectus supplement of our Class A common stock, which may include shares of our Class A common stock issuable upon exchange of an equivalent number of Holdings Units (together with an equal number of shares of our Class B common stock), by certain selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders may, from time to time, sell any or all of the Class A common stock offered hereby directly or through one or more underwriters, broker-dealers or agents. The selling stockholders will be responsible for any underwriting discounts or agent's commissions attributable to the resale of the shares of our Class A common stock. Shares of our Class A common stock may be sold in one or more transactions at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of the sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. These prices will be determined by the selling stockholders or by agreement between such selling stockholders and any underwriter broker-dealer or agent who receives fees or commissions in connection with a sale. The selling stockholders may use any one or more of the following methods when selling shares:

on the NYSE or any other national securities exchange or quotation service on which the securities may be listed or quoted at the time of sale;

in the over-the-counter market;

in transactions otherwise than on these exchanges or systems or in the over-the-counter market;

through the writing of options, whether such options are listed on an options exchange or otherwise;

through ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;

through block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;

directly to one or more purchasers;

through agents;

through purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;

through one or more underwriters on a firm commitment or best-efforts basis;

in an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;

in privately negotiated transactions;

through loans or pledges of our Class A common stock to a broker-dealer who may sell shares of our Class A common stock so loaned or, upon a default, may sell or otherwise transfer the pledged stock;

a combination of any such methods of sale; and

any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

The selling stockholders may also sell shares under Rule 144 under the Securities Act or other available exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act rather than under this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement.

In addition, the selling stockholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers which may engage in short sales of shares of our Class A common stock in the course of hedging the positions they assume with the selling stockholders. The selling stockholders may also sell shares of our Class A common stock short and deliver the shares of our Class A common stock to close out such short position. The selling stockholders may also enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers that require the delivery by such broker-dealers of the shares of our Class A common stock, which shares may be resold thereafter pursuant to this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement.

Broker-dealers engaged by the selling stockholders may arrange for other broker-dealers to participate in sales. If the selling stockholders effect such transactions through underwriters, broker-dealers or agents, such underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may receive commissions in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling stockholders, or commissions from purchasers of the shares of our Class A common stock for whom they may act as agent or to whom they may sell as principal, or both (which discounts, concessions or commissions as to particular underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may be less than or in excess of those customary in the types of transactions involved).

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With respect to a particular offering of shares of Class A common stock held by the selling stockholders, to the extent required, an accompanying prospectus supplement or, if appropriate, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus is part, will be prepared and will set forth the following information:

the specific shares of Class A common stock to be offered and sold;

the names of the selling stockholders;

the respective purchase prices and public offering prices and other material terms of the offering;

the names of any participating agents, broker-dealers or underwriters; and

any applicable commissions, discounts, concessions and other items constituting compensation from the selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders and any underwriters, broker-dealers or agents that are involved in selling the shares may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with such sales. In such event, any commissions received by such underwriters, broker-dealers or agents and any profit on the resale of the shares purchased by them may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act.

Underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may be entitled to indemnification by us and the selling stockholders against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribution with respect to payments which the underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may be required to make in respect thereof.

The selling stockholders will be subject to the Exchange Act, including Regulation M, which may limit the timing of purchases and sales of our Class A common stock by the selling stockholders and their affiliates, as applicable.

There can be no assurance that the selling stockholders will sell any or all of the shares of our Class A common stock registered pursuant to the registration statement of which this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement forms a part.

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Legal matters

The validity of the issuance of our Class A common stock offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Ropes & Gray LLP, Boston, Massachusetts.

Experts

The consolidated financial statements of Planet Fitness, Inc. as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015, have been incorporated by reference herein and in the registration statement in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

Where you can find more information

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act with respect to the shares of Class A common stock offered hereby. This prospectus, which constitutes a part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement or the exhibits filed therewith. For further information with respect to us and the Class A common stock offered hereby, please refer to the registration statement and the exhibits filed therewith. Statements contained in this prospectus regarding the contents of any contract or any other document that is filed as an exhibit to the registration statement are not necessarily complete, and each such statement is qualified in all respects by reference to the full text of such contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement. A copy of the registration statement and the exhibits filed therewith may be inspected without charge at the public reference room maintained by the SEC, located at 100 F Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549, and copies of all or any part of the registration statement may be obtained from such offices upon the payment of the fees prescribed by the SEC. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information about the public reference room. The SEC also maintains a website that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC. The SEC's website address is www.sec.gov.

We file periodic reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Such periodic reports, proxy statements and other information are available for inspection and copying at the public reference room and website of the SEC referred to above.

Incorporation by reference

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 filed with the SEC. This prospectus does not contain all of the information included in the registration statement, certain parts of which are omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference certain information into this prospectus from certain documents that we filed with the SEC prior to the date of this prospectus. By incorporating by reference, we are disclosing important information to you by referring you to documents we have filed separately with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is deemed to be part of this prospectus, except for information incorporated by reference that is modified or superseded by information contained in this prospectus or in any other subsequently filed document that also is incorporated by reference herein. Any statement so modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to be part of this prospectus. These documents contain important information about us, our business and our financial performance.

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Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the SEC on March 4, 2016;

Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2016, filed with the SEC on May 11, 2016;

Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2016, filed with the SEC on August 12, 2016;

Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016, filed with the SEC on November 3, 2016;

Our Definitive Proxy Statement filed with the SEC on April 5, 2016, as amended and supplemented by the additional definitive proxy soliciting materials filed with the SEC on April 5, 2016;

The description of our Class A common stock included in our registration statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on August 6, 2015; and

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Our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 20, 2016, August 4, 2016, September 26, 2016, November 10, 2016 and November 21, 2016.

To the extent that any information contained in any Current Report on Form 8-K, or any exhibit thereto, is furnished to, rather than filed with, the SEC, such information or exhibit is specifically not incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

The information relating to us contained in this prospectus does not purport to be comprehensive and should be read together with the information contained in the documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

If you request, either orally or in writing, we will provide you with a copy of any or all documents that are incorporated by reference herein. Such documents will be provided to you free of charge, but will not contain any exhibits, unless those exhibits are incorporated by reference into the document. Requests can be made by writing to Investor Relations at 26 Fox Run Road, Newington, NH 03801 or by phone at (603) 750-0001. The documents may also be accessed on our website at <http://investor.planetfitness.com>. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into this prospectus and you should not consider information contained on our website to be part of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement.

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The following table sets forth the costs and expenses, other than the underwriting discounts and commissions, payable by the registrant in connection with the issuance and registration of Class A common stock being registered. All amounts are estimates except for the SEC registration fee and FINRA filing fee.

| Item | Amount to be paid |
|--|--------------------------|
| SEC registration fee | \$ * |
| FINRA filing fee | \$ 46,843 |
| Blue sky fees and expenses | ** |
| Printing and engraving expenses | ** |
| Legal fees and expenses | ** |
| Accounting fees and expenses | ** |
| Transfer agent and registrar fees and expenses | ** |
| Miscellaneous expenses | ** |
| Total | \$ ** |

* Deferred in accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r) under the Securities Act, or previously paid in connection with an earlier registration statement pursuant to Rule 457(p).

** These fees are calculated based on the amount of securities offered and accordingly cannot be estimated at this time. To the extent required, any applicable prospectus supplement will set forth the estimated aggregate amount of expenses payable in respect of any offering of securities.

Item 15. Indemnification of directors and officers

Section 145(a) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL") grants each corporation organized thereunder the power to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation), by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that such person did not act in good faith and in a manner which such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and,

with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that such person's conduct was unlawful.

Section 145(b) of the DGCL grants each corporation organized thereunder the power to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Delaware Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL enables a corporation in its certificate of incorporation or an amendment thereto to eliminate or limit the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders of monetary damages for violations of the director's fiduciary duty, except (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for

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acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) pursuant to Section 174 of the DGCL (providing for liability of directors for unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions) or (iv) for any transaction from which a director derived an improper personal benefit. Our certificate of incorporation includes a provision that eliminates the personal liability of directors for monetary damages for actions taken as a director to the fullest extent authorized by the DGCL.

We have also entered into indemnification agreements with certain of our directors. Such agreements generally provide for indemnification by reason of being our director, as the case may be. These agreements are in addition to the indemnification provided by our certificate of incorporation and bylaws. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, we have been informed that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy and is therefore unenforceable.

The underwriting agreement provides that the underwriters are obligated, under certain circumstances, to indemnify our directors, officers and controlling persons against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. Please see the form of underwriting agreement filed as Exhibit 1.1 hereto.

Our amended and restated bylaws indemnify the directors and officers to the full extent of the DGCL and also allow the board of directors to indemnify all other employees. Such right of indemnification is not exclusive of any right to which such officer or director may be entitled as a matter of law and shall extend and apply to the estates of deceased officers and directors. Section 145(f) of the DGCL further provides that a right to indemnification or to advancement of expenses arising under a provision of the bylaws shall not be eliminated or impaired by an amendment to such provision after the occurrence of the act or omission which is the subject of the civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit or proceeding for which indemnification or advancement of expenses is sought.

We also maintain a directors and officers insurance policy. The policy insures directors and officers against unindemnified losses arising from certain wrongful acts in their capacities as directors and officers and reimburses us for those losses for which we have lawfully indemnified the directors and officers. The policy contains various exclusions that are normal and customary for policies of this type. Section 145(g) of the DGCL provides that a corporation shall have power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director or officer of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under that section.

Item 16. Exhibits and financial statement schedules

(a) Exhibits

See Exhibit Index following the signature page.

(b) Financial statement schedules

All schedules have been omitted because the information required to be set forth therein is not applicable or is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.

Item 17. Undertakings

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement; and

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(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

(2) That for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser:

(i) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and

(ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) (§ 230.424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) (§ 230.415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by section 10(a) of the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

(i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;

(ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;

(iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and

(iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities

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Act and is therefore unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act, and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Newington, State of New Hampshire, on December 23, 2016.

PLANET FITNESS, INC.

By: /s/ Christopher Rondeau
 Name: Christopher Rondeau
 Title: Chief Executive Officer

Power of attorney

We, the undersigned officers and directors of Planet Fitness, Inc., do hereby constitute and appoint each of Christopher Rondeau, Dorvin Lively and Richard Moore to be our true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for each of us and in our name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) and exhibits to this registration statement on Form S-3 and any and all applications and other documents to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pertaining to the registration of the securities covered hereby, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as each of us might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or any of them or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| Signature | Title | Date |
|--|---|-------------------|
| /s/ Christopher Rondeau Christopher Rondeau | Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer) | December 23, 2016 |
| /s/ Dorvin Lively Dorvin Lively | Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer) | December 23, 2016 |
| /s/ David Berg David Berg | Director | December 23, 2016 |
| /s/ Charles Esserman | Director | December 23, 2016 |

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| Charles Esserman | | |
| /s/ Marc Grondahl | | December 23, 2016 |
| Marc Grondahl | Director | |
| /s/ Michael Layman | | December 23, 2016 |
| Michael Layman | Director | |
| /s/ Pierre LeComte | | December 23, 2016 |
| Pierre LeComte | Director | |
| /s/ Frances Rathke | | December 23, 2016 |
| Frances Rathke | Director | |
| /s/ Stephen Spinelli, Jr. | | December 23, 2016 |
| Stephen Spinelli, Jr. | Director | |
| /s/ Edward Wong | | December 23, 2016 |
| Edward Wong | Director | |

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Exhibit index

Exhibit

| number | Description of exhibit |
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| 1.1* | Form of Underwriting Agreement |
| 3.1 | Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Planet Fitness, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1, File No. 333-205141, filed on June 22, 2015) |
| 3.2 | Amended and Restated Bylaws of Planet Fitness, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1, File No. 333-205141, June 22, 2015) |
| 4.1 | Form of Class A Common Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1, File No. 333-205141, June 22, 2015) |
| 5.1 | Opinion of Ropes & Gray LLP |
| 23.1 | Consent of KPMG LLP |
| 23.2 | Consent of Ropes & Gray LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1) |
| 24.1 | Power of Attorney (included in the signature pages to this Registration Statement) |

* To be filed, if necessary, and incorporated by reference to a Current Report on Form 8-K in connection with an offering of securities.