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The Largest Western Festival In California Is Coming To Palm Springs

All things Western: Rodeo, Cowboys, Western Designs, Fashion, Fast Draw Competition, Film Festival, BBQ Showdown, Music and more!

he Palm Springs WestFest & Frank Bogert Memorial, presented by Spa Resort Casino, is the largest Western Festival in California. From March 24-27, the WestFest encompasses 25 acres that include the Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel and the Palm Springs Convention Center.

The WestFest will highlight the Western heritage of Palm Springs, the Coachella Valley, and California, providing a signature event for the area and presenting a unique destination event for travelers from around the world. "We aim to capture the spirit of Frank Bogert by promoting Western lifestyle in Palm Springs as he did throughout his life," Christopher Burkhardt, producer of the Palm Springs WestFest, said.





"This is fantasy camp for cowboys. You can meet today's top rodeo cowboys and today's top Western designers, all in one fantastic weekend."

The 2010 WestFest & Rodeo brought 12,500 people to the Downtown Palm Springs area from as far as Canada, Oregon, Michigan,

Texas, and Florida to enjoy three days of family fun and the Frank Bogert Memorial Rodeo.

For 2011, the slogan for the huge event is "Where Old West meets The New West," a reflection of the way cowboy entertainment is being presented from three different centuries. There is plenty of Old West action in the streets and the arena, such as United Way's Fast Draw competition. From the 20th century comes the PRCA rodeo and Gene Autry FilmFest, and California's hottest BBQ teams compete in the street for bragging rights at the Bogert BBQ Showdown. Of more recent vintage is the authentic cowboy music of TwangFest, the fun of the mechanical bull, and the Western Design Expo, a visual and sensory treat that covers the entire lifestyle.

Organizers will start the fun on Thursday, a day before the rodeo, with the Western Design Expo kicking off at Noon on March 24 in the Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel. The Expo includes paintings, sculpture, leatherwork, jewelry, and other



design work representative of today's cowboy culture. Visitors will be able to meet the designers of The New West, whose workmanship features innovative embellishments on the iconic imagery of the West. Shoppers may commission a roomful of furniture, a custom-made cowboy hat, or a pair of hand-tooled boots. They will also see a variety of art, from actor Buck Taylor to the esteemed Amado Pena, and walk through a gallery of custom clothing from couturiers like Manuel Design and Patricia Wolf.

WestFest and Expo tickets are just \$5. Rodeo tickets start at \$10 for youths and \$25 adult, including WestFest admission. For more information, go online to www.PalmSpringsWestFest. com or call (800) 664-5617.

A City on the Move

ack in 1913, Cabot Yerxa (1883-1965) had a dream to build "a place like no other." Today, a visitor touring the Cabot's Pueblo Museum in Desert Hot Springs feels the sense of awe at the man who wrote for the newspaper, was a Native American rights activist, painted, handbuilt his home and many buildings in the city and daringly turned his homestead discovery of hot medicinal water into a city: Desert Hot Springs.

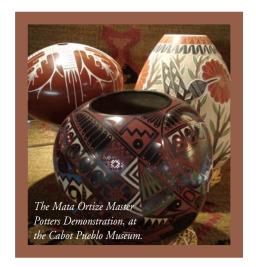
Nearly 100 years later, Desert Hot Springs has over 20 hot springs spas and hotels which keep his dream of Desert Hot Springs as a place for healing alive. Guests can drop in to the spas for the day or for the weekend with themes that vary from Spanish to Moroccan to Modern.

It is a city whose residents feel that connection through events like the annual Spa Tour, which had over 600 attendees in 2011.

Cabot Yerxa also left a "green" legacy when he built his homes out of reclaimed, recycled or hand-made materials. This includes the Pueblo Museum, which is over 5000 sq. ft of space, 35 rooms, 150 windows and 65 doors. Yerxa would use materials from abandoned homesteads or broken telegraph poles, rail road ties or parts of wagons. His imagination inspired a very creative use for materials that many ignored or just didn't want.

Desert Hot Springs celebrates that now with an annual **Earth Day Celebration** as well as the elementary school, Cabot Yerxa Elementary, which is built with green technology. The 2011 Earth Day celebration will be held at Aqua Soliel Hotel and Mineral Spa on April 23, 2011. It will feature interactive events for the whole family from a butterfly tent, arts and crafts and live performances by R&B/rap quartet Pretty Ricky, and R&B artist Rome and Folk band The EvanG's. To find out more visit www.desertecoevents.com

There is also the legacy of his art which inspires local events like the **Mata Ortiz Master Potters Demonstration** at the Cabot Pueblo Museum each year. The Mata Ortiz master potters bring their award winning talent to demonstrate how they create their beautiful Casas Grandes style of pottery. The Cabot Museum hosts them on March 5 and 6, with free admission to the grounds for all guests. Museum tours are regular price for those who want to see the Pueblo. To find out more visit www.CabotsMuseum.org.



Cabot's discovery of hot and cold mineral water on his land in 1913 beckoned him to name his homestead Miracle Hill. He wrote of these hot mineral waters and held to a dream of creating a city where people would come to heal. He set his sights on becoming a community builder and leader and turned his discovery into a city that was once called the "Baden-Baden of America" and "the hot mineral water capitol of the world."

The city Cabot Yerxa created, Desert Hot Springs, mourned his death, they closed City Hall that day and flew flags at half mast in honor of the man who dared to have modern ideas and dream of "building a place like no other." Today it is a city working hard to keep that vision alive and well.



Snow Play Under the Moon

here's still time to get in some snow play up in Big Bear. Plus, if you should run out of sunshine, you don't necessarily have to pack it up and head home. Big Bear Lake's Alpine Slide at Magic Mountainh offers the Southland's only night snow tubing.

Alpine Slide is always open for night snow play Fridays, Saturdays and holidays, 5-9pm. The snow is groomed prior to each night session to ensure tubers enjoy perfect, smooth corduroy on Alpine Slide's traditional downhill runs.

The area is also home to the twisting, turning "Snake," a series of high-banked turns that whip riders back and forth, to and fro, kind of like a boardercross or motocross track. As snow gets faster as the evening progresses the famous Snake gets even more bite to its ride and is especially popular with the after dark crowd.

Getting to the top of all the snow is easy thanks to Magic Carpet uphill lift...just step on the moving conveyor belt and you're back at the top ready for more fun in a jiffy. No trying to scramble up an icy slope, which just wouldn't happen after dark. Instead, save your

energy for the thrilling downhill rides. Alpine Slide's Magic Carpet is enclosed in Plexiglass for guest comfort.

When it's time for a winter warm-up, head inside the heated base lodge with video games for hot cocoa, coffee or other goodies from the family-priced snack bar.

Night tubing is perfect for those who want to ski, snowboard, snowshoe or explore other Big Bear recreation by day. Night tubing is cheaper too; just \$15 buys four hours of fun and includes Magic Carpet lift pass and tube rental.

Alpine Slide and nearby Big Bear Snow Play are open daily for inner tubing 10am to 4pm and each boasts base depths reaching 30 feet high after recent storms and nightly snowmaking with the same Lenko fan guns found at ski resorts. Day sessions cost \$25 which includes Magic Carpet pass and tube rental. Guests are welcome to come and go if they want, or bring a picnic lunch and make a day of it.

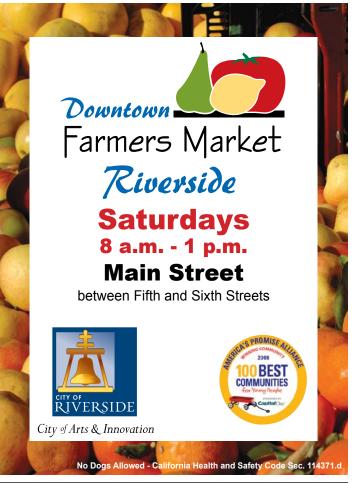
Alpine Slide is also home to the signature

bobsled-like ride of the same name. Experience many of the same gravitational forces Olympians feel during your descent down two quarter-mile long cement tracks aboard sleds with ball-bearing wheels that you control. Go faster or slower and lean into each banked turn before tucking through the straightaways.

Alpine Slide also offers Putt 'N Around Go-Karts and an 18-hole miniature golf course and there's a weekend barbecue on the outdoor deck.

Alpine Slide is 1/4 mile west of the Big Bear Village shopping area, home to 60 specialty stores. Call (909) 866-4626 for more information. Big Bear Snow Play is on Big Bear Blvd. three miles east of Alpine Slide next to Motel 6. Call (909) 585-0075 for information.





Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival comes to Pomona

ore than 140 quality booths will make this year's **Pomona Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival** the biggest and best show yet. The festival will offer more vendors, classes and great make and take workshops for everyone's creative inspirations.

The Pomona Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival will occur March 10-12, at the Fairplex located at the Fairplex Dr. exit off of the I-10 freeway. Parking will be in Gate 17, with plenty of close to the building parking and trams running to shuttle attendees back and forth.

The Festival features a wide variety of supplies, notions, patterns and techniques in the areas of quilting, sewing, needlearts, stenciling, embossing, crystals, fabric crafts and more. Many booths will feature new cutting edge products that are brand new to the market.

Also given away, will be an Accucut quilt cutting system and travel bag from Accuquilt worth \$550. Enter your ticket stub to win free door prize drawings that occur every hour. The Grand prize Accuquilt winner will be announced at 3pm on Saturday of the show. Festival co-sponsor, Moore's Sewing, will also be giving away a free sewing machine. Additionally, there will be \$500 in cash given away every morning at 9:45am prior to the doors opening.

The Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival also offers a selection of "make-it and take-it" workshops in addition to seminars and classes presented by great instructors.

Visit www.quiltcraftsew.com to sign up in advance to receive your show program by email and for additional show information, printable coupons, programs and directions.





Theater & The Arts

Wanda Sykes joins Fox Performing Arts Center stage

ince opening, the Fox Performing Arts Center has been bringing a wide assortment of theatrical entertainment to downtown Riverside. March offerings include an eclectic mix of music and comedy. The Fox Performing Arts Center is located at 3801 Mission Inn Ave. Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com, all Ticketmaster outlets and the Box Office. For Box Office information, call (951) 779-9800, or visit their website at www.foxriversidelive.com.





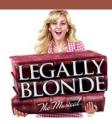
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The Canadian Tenors March 13



Wanda Sykes March 25



Legally Blonde, The Musical March 18-20



Chris Botti March 26



Scott Stapp
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Arlo Guthrie



OnStage Musicals Jazz Fest

The Temecula event draws celebrated jazz greats

he Old Town Temecula Community Theater will be the place for jazz lovers to go on April 3. The inaugural OnStage Musicals Jazz Fest brings a festival-style, straight-ahead jazz concert featuring celebrated names in jazz playing arrangements from the Great American Songbook in various sized ensembles.

Collectively, they have toured the world and performed with America's greatest musical icons such as Stevie Wonder, Earth, Wind and Fire, Sly and the Family Stone, War, Harry James, Michael Jackson and the Frank Sinatra Orchestra.

The Staff Big Band, featuring some of the finest musicians in the business today, will add traditional big band swing arrangements from the 20s, 30s and 40s to

the festivities. With each performance, these artists show their dedication to the tradition and understanding of jazz and its timeless repertoire.

Guest performers include Yve Evans, Steve Madio, Pat Rizzo, Andy Fraga and The Staff Big Band and Dr. Jack Poster.

Be sure to arrive early to enjoy wine tasting, vendors, food and live, pre-show jazz in the Courtyard with the James Nation Band. It all starts at 1pm in the theater courtyard, then moves into the theater at 2pm.

Tickets are \$37 for adult, \$35 for senior, \$31 group rate, and \$25 youth (12 and under). The event is presented by Temecula Presents And Onstage Musicals. For more information, go online to www.jazznart.com/onstagemusicals.



Yve Evans and Steve Madio lend their talents to OnStage Musicals Jazz Fest.

Old Town Temecula Theater And Jeff Stover's On Stage Musicals Presents



The On Stage Musicals Jazz Festival SUN, APR 3, 2011 @ 2pm

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Guest Performers: Yve Evans, Steve Madio, Pat Rizzo, Andy Fraga, Jeff Stover Keith Droste and The Staff Big Band with Ken Dahleen and Dr. Jack Poster

Be sure to arrive early to enjoy wine tasting and live, pre-show Jazz in the Courtyard With The James Nation Band at 1 PM. It's a Festival!

5 Bands – Vendors – Food – Drinks – Wine Tasting Old Town Temecula Theater 42051 Main Street, Temecula, CA 92590 Box Office 1-866-OLD-TOWN (866-653-8696) www.jazznart.com/onstagemusicals



THEATRE & ARTS EVENT GUIDE

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ART DEPOT GALLERY

Downtown Fontana, off Sierra Ave. between Arrow and Spring St., 16822 Spring St., Fontana.

(909) 349-6900, arts.fontana.org **OPEN STUDIO:** Held every Friday afternoon in February, allowing paid participants to learn various artistic styles and techniques.

CAL BAPTIST WALLACE THEATER

8432 Magnolia Ave., Riverside. (951) 343-4319.

THE TRAGEDY OF MACBETH: April 8, 9, 15, 16. Fridays 8pm, Saturdays 2pm and 8pm. General admission \$12, matinees, seniors, CBU faculty, staff and students \$10.

CALIFORNIA THEATRE OF THE PERFORMING ARTS

562 W. 4th St., San Bernardino. Tickets: (909) 885-5152 or www.ticketmaster.com

STEPHEN SCHARTZ AND FRIENDS -DEFYING GRAVITY: Feb. 4. BLUE OYSTER CULT AND FOGHAT: March 11.

CHARO: March 12.

BEYOND CELTIC: March 18. A celebration of Irish music and culture. THE NEW MEL BROOKS MUSICAL YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN: April 6-7, 8pm. Tickets: \$38.50-\$77.50.

CALIMESA COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES



Gospel singer Steve Green heads up a cast of musicians in Loma Linda on March 5, at 7:30pm, at the Loma Linda

University Church. Tickets are available through the Alumni Office of the School of Medicine Alumni Association. Call (951) 558-4633 for questions.

CENTER STAGE THEATRE

8463 Sierra Ave., Fontana. (909) 349-6979. www.centerstagefontana.com.

NOCHES CON RITMO: Every first and third Thursday of the month. Latin

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS: Weekends through March. 6.

music and dance.

MICHAEL JACKSON TRIBUTE SHOW: March 19.

THOSE FABULOUS FORTIES: Weekends, April 1 - June 19.

CHAFFEY COLLEGE THEATER

DEPARTMENT

5885 Haven Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga. Box office: (909) 652-6067. A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM:

March 16-19, 7:30pm, and March 20, 2pm.

COMMUNITY ARTS THEATER SOCIETY OF BIG BEAR VALLEY

Big Bear Lake Performing Arts Center The PAC Box office: (909) 866-4970. www.bigbeartheater.org.



A MUSICAL-COMEDY LIFE: March 25-26 at 7:30pm and March 27 at 1:30pm, with entertainer/ musician Robin Field, An

original two-act concert proving that "life is like a musical comedy." Tickets range from \$19-\$27 for adults, \$18-

25 for seniors and \$13-18 for kids under 18. See article on page 14.

FONTANA COMMUNITY SENIOR CENTER (FCSC) ART GALLERY

The art gallery is located on the Center's upper level in the Library and Art Gallery Corridor, 16710 Ceres Ave., in Fontana. (909) 349-6975. arts. fontana.org.



FOX PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

In Downtown Riverside, 3801 Mission Inn Ave. Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com, all Ticketmaster outlets and the Fox Box Office. For Box Office information, call (951) 779-9800, or visit foxriversidelive.com.

ONE NIGHT OF QUEEN: March 11.

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BENISE: March 12.

THE CANADIAN TENORS: March 13. LEGALLY BLONDE, THE MUSICAL: March 18-20. Tickets: \$25, \$45, \$65, \$75

THE MYSTERY OF KING TUT: March 22. Part of the Programs for Young Audiences. For school audiences only, educators should contact the Fox Box Office.

WANDA SYKES: March 25 CHRIS BOTTI: With the Corona Symphony Pops, March 26. SCOTT STAPP: April 1. The voice

KATIPUNAN, ALL IN GOOD TASTE: April 2.

RIVERSIDE PHILHARMONIC: April 9, Tomasz Golka with violin soloist Jourdain Urbach.

ARLO GUTHRIE: April 10, Journey on Tour.

INDIAN WELLS ARTS FESTIVAL

April 1-3. At the Indian Wells Tennis Garden. (760) 346-0042.

INLAND EMPIRE MURDER MYSTERY PLAYERS

Mystery dinner theatre in downtown Riverside at the Mission Galleria, 3700 Main St. Enjoy a murder mystery with dinner and decide "whodunnit!" www.iemmp.com. (951) 684-3737, (951) 685-0844.

LEWIS FAMILY PLAYHOUSE

12505 Cultural Center Dr., Rancho Cucamonga. Tickets available at lewisfamilyplayhouse.com, (909) 477-2752.

THE MAN WHO CAME TO DINNER: March 5-13, Fri. & Sat., 7:30pm, Sun. 2pm. General \$17, senior \$15, youth \$15.

M-PACT: March 25, 7:30pm. A cappella vocal group pulling from a variety of genres including swing, hip-hop, funk, soul and big band. Tickets: \$12.50 general, \$19.50 senior, \$18.50 youth.

JASON BISHOP MAGIC SHOW: March 26, 7pm. Tickets: \$21.50 general, \$19.50 senior, \$18.50 youth.

OLD TOWN TEMECULA COMMUNITY THEATER

42051 Main St., Temecula. (866) 653-8696. www.temeculatheater.org.

WEEKLY MUSIC AT THE MERC: Jazz Thursdays at 7:30pm, Live! Fridays at 8pm, country Saturdays at 7pm and 9pm, classics Sundays **BILL MAGEE:** March 4. Tickets:

MUSIC LEGENDS THEN AND NOW: March 5, 4pm and 7:30pm. Tickets: Adults \$40, seniors/students/ military/youth \$35.

ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER SPECTACULAR: March 6, 2pm. Tickets: adults \$37, senior \$35, youth \$25.

SHAKE, RATTLE AND ROLL: THE

GREATEST HITS OF THE 50'S AND 60'S: March 12, 7:30pm. tickets: \$20-\$40. A salute to the music legends of the 50's and 60's presented in a live stage musical format.

DI WU: March 13, 3pm. Solo pianist.

DANCE MOVES: March 15, 7pm. THE GRASCALS: March 18, 7:30pm, \$20.

BYRON BERLINE, BLUEGRASS ETC., AND SILVERADO BLUEGRASS: March 19, 7pm., \$15. ONSTAGE MUSICALS JAZZ FESTIVAL: April 3. See article on page 11.

ONSTAGE MUSICALS JAZZ FEST

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PERFORMANCE RIVERSIDE

Landis Performing Arts Center, Riverside Community College, 4800 Magnolia Center, Riverside. (951) 222-8100 or performanceriverside.org. CURTAINS, THE MUSICAL COMEDY WHODUNIT: April 1-10. See article on page 16.

RIVERSIDE CHILDREN'S THEATRE

For more information or online tickets using PayPay, visit RCT at www.riversidechildrenstheare.org. **SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL:** March 4-5 and 11-12 at Ramona High School in Riverside. Tickets: \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. Join the Cat in the Hat, Jojo, Horton, Gertrude, the Who's and the rest of the cast as they sing, dance, and romp through the Jungle of Nool and swim in McElligot's Pool.

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

4026 14th St., Riverside. (951) 686-4030, riversidecommunityplayers.com. **TEN LITTLE INDIANS:** March 25-April 10. See article on page 17.

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Sinfonia Mexicana presents Stars of Tomorrow

Infonia Mexicana will host the premiere performance of the Mariachi Youth Academy as featured artist at the "Stars of Tomorrow" concert. The March 13th program will be held at the Sturges Center for the Fine Arts, 780 N. "E" Street, San Bernardino. Joining the Mariachi Youth Academy at the 3pm program is the Symphonie Jeunesse String Orchestra.

at 3pm.

Ticket prices are \$5, \$10, \$15, or \$20 (family of four). Children under 3 are free.

MARIACHI YOUTH ACADEMY

Sinfonia Mexicana established the Mariachi Youth Academy in February 2009 at the Sturges Center for the Fine Arts as an opportunity for area youth to learn and perform Mariachi music in addition to understanding its origins and cultural significance.

The Mariachi Youth Academy's mission is to establish a continuing

and comprehensive course of study that will challenge and enhance the student's ability to read music, master their instruments and enhance stage presence through the art of performing mariachi music.

The Academy currently has thirtyseven students that attend middle and high schools from San Bernardino, Rialto, Fontana, Bloomington, Riverside, Oak Hills, Phelan and Hesperia. Classes are currently being taught for intermediate and advanced students with plans for beginner classes soon.

SYMPHONIE JEUNESSE

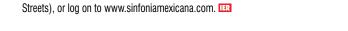
In the spring of 2008, Michèle Tacchia, Founder and Director of Symphonie Jeunesse, met with Dr. Ernie Garcia and the San Bernardino Valley Concert Association (SBVCA) to propose a youth orchestra for strings in the local community. Symphonie Jeunesse was established through a generous grant from the Frank Plash Endowment, under the

auspices of SBVCA. Frank Plash was an ardent supporter of local classical music and fine arts. He lectured at symphony concerts, promoted live music and could be seen in attendance at concerts.

Symphonie Jeunesse operates on donations which provide scholarships to young musicians, allowing them to participate without paying tuition, as well as provides funds to purchase music and supplies.



Call Sinfonia Mexicana at (909) 884-3228 or toll free (866) 687-4284 for ticket information or visit the California Theatre of the Performing Arts (between E and F Streets), or log on to www.sinfoniamexicana.com.



MOUNTAIN THEATER

CATS Presents Robin Field In 'A Musical-Comedy Life'



or three days only, March 25, 26 and 27, CATS, The Community Arts Theater Society of Big Bear Valley, will present entertainer/musician Robin Field in *A Musical-Comedy Life*. Field, retired to Big Bear from a stellar theatrical career in New York, will present his original two-act concert proving that "life is like a musical comedy."

Expanded from a one-man show Field performed in New York and elsewhere, this revue will also present many of Big Bear's most talented singers, actors and dancers performing highlights from Field's own career in show business.

Influenced by a vaudevillian grandfather, an aunt who sang with

the big bands, a mother who sang and played the piano, a father who played jazz clarinet, and a string of professional heroes, Field has spent sixty years as an entertainer — starting as a puppeteer, cartoonist, ventriloquist, pianist, singer, actor and mime, and eventually becoming a writer, composer, lyricist, producer and director. From backyard shows, school shows and children's theater, to pizza parlors, cabarets, the New York stage, recordings, radio, television, concert halls, and Carnegie Hall, "I've done it all," says Field.

Last year, Field also starred as Prof. Harold Hill in CATS production of *The Music Man*, and played Scrooge in their original adaptation of *A Christmas Carol*.

A Musical-Comedy Life touches on all these forms. Karen Sargent Rachels, CATS Producer, said, "Are you in the mood for a little vaudeville? Field recites a comedy routine his grandfather taught him, or does impersonations of such great Song-and-Dance Men as Eddie Cantor, Al Jolson and Jimmy Durante. Pantomime? He performs 'No Smoking' and 'The Balloon Man,' which he learned from working with Jerry Lewis and Sammy Davis, Jr. Jazz? He plays a

rousing rendition of Ain't Misbehavin at the piano. Show tunes? He sings Where or When and The Lady Is a Tramp from his starring role in the New York revival of Rodgers and Hart's Babes in Arms. Patriotic? He conducts the cast in his own, moving, choral adaptation of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Classical? He joins the cast in several Shakespearean songs he wrote, or sings his acclaimed lyric adaptation of Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue, which won him a standing ovation at Carnegie Hall."

During Field's professional career, critics gave him rave reviews from New York to London. "Field commands the piano like a circus ringmaster! Rhapsody In Blue takes the cake for sheer creativity!" wrote Martin Blake of *Show Business*.

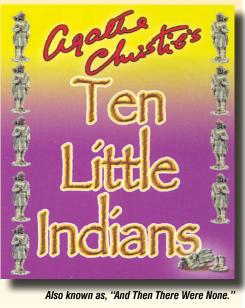
A Musical-Comedy Life plays at the Big Bear Lake Performing Arts Center three days only: March 25 & 26 at 7:30pm and March 27 at 1:30pm.
Tickets range from \$19-\$27 for adults, \$18-25 for seniors and \$13-18 for children under 18. The PAC Box office phone number is (909) 866-4970. Tickets can also be purchased online at www. bigbeartheater.org.

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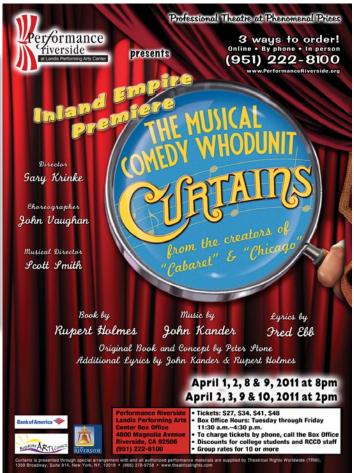
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desperately
search for a
murderer among
themselves, and
their pasts come
back to haunt them.



Sorry, no children under 5 are admitted.

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Young performers compete in piano playoff

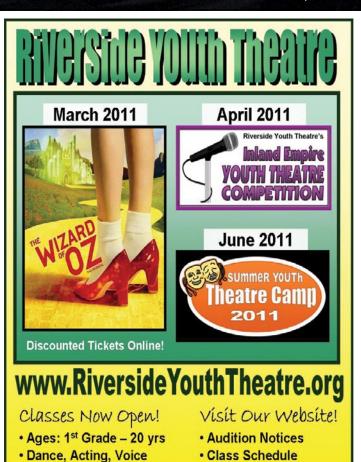
orty-four virtuoso young pianists, between the ages of 9 and 17, will converge this month at the Indian Wells Theater in Palm Desert. They come from the four corners of the United States and from as far away as China and Korea. They come to participate in solo piano, solo piano with orchestra and master class divisions of the 18th Virginia Waring International Piano Competition, a non-profit organization. The pianists are divided by age: Juniors – age 12 and under; and Intermediates, ages 13 – 17.

Most of the events during the 8 days of the Competition are free. A master class for local piano students will be held on March 26. This pre-event is free to the public, and sponsored by Wells Fargo. The Competition itself starts at 1pm on Sunday, March 27 inside the lovely Indian Wells Theater on the Palm Desert campus of California State University, San Bernardino, located at 37-500 Cook Street, Palm Desert. Competition rounds are free and open to the public, unreserved seating, with free parking.

Sunday features the youngest pianists playing 15 minute rounds. Monday and Tuesday features the teen pianists playing 20

minute rounds. Check the Event Calendar at www.vwipc.org for more information. Approximately six pianists in each age division will go on to the Semi-Finals on Wednesday. On Thursday and Friday morning, the pianists will play a cutting from their Concertos, accompanied by a second piano. Friday night, April 1 at 7pm is the Solo Finals Concert. Tickets are required and cost \$10 and \$20. Concert goers will hear solo programs by at least 6 young pianists. Master classes with Julian Martin from Julliard and Elizabeth Pridonoff from the Cincinnati School of Music take place on Saturday, April 2.

The Competition concludes on Sunday, April 3 with the Concerto Finals with full orchestra on the stage of the McCallum Theatre in Palm Desert. At least six pianists will play a full Concerto accompanied by members of the Pacific Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Lucinda Carver. Tickets to the Final Concert range from \$15 to \$35 through the McCallum box office, (760) 340-2787 or online at www.McCallumTheatre.com. For more information, visit www. vwipc.org or call (760) 773-2575 or email info@vwipc.org.



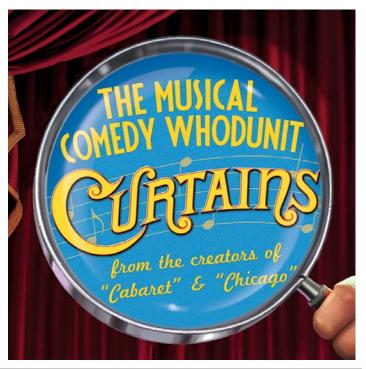
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Performance Dates

Performance Riverside presents the Inland Empire premiere of 'Curtains, the Musical Comedy Whodunit'

Genres collide in this musical murder mystery





erformance Riverside presents the Inland Empire premiere of the award winning 2007 Broadway hit, *Curtains, the Musical Comedy Whodunit*, with book by Rupert Holmes, lyrics by Fred Ebb, and music by John Kander, with additional lyrics by Kander and Holmes. In a collision of theatrical traditions – Agatha Christie meets 42nd Street – *Curtains* combines a clever backstage murder mystery with crisp, witty dialogue and a contagiously catchy toe-tapping score.

It plays April 1–10 at Landis Performing Arts Center in Riverside. "I was lucky enough to see *Curtains* in its original run with David Hyde Pierce at the LA's Ahmanson Theatre in 2006," Producing Artistic Director Rey O'Day said. "It really tickled my funny-bone! It's a fast paced, funny love letter to everyone who loves the Golden Age of Broadway Musical Theatre, and we are thrilled and delighted to be first to produce it in the Inland Empire."

The musical is a loving send-up of the big book musicals of the 1940s and '50s and of the murder mystery genre. Set in 1959 Boston, Massachusetts, it follows the fallout when the supremely untalented star of Robbin' Hood of the Old West is murdered during her opening night curtain call. It is up to police Lieutenant Frank Cioffi, who moonlights as a musical theater fan, to save the show, solve the case, and maybe even find love before the show reopens, without getting killed himself.

Curtains is based on an original concept by Peter Stone, the creator of 1776, which won Performance Riverside five LA Ovation Awards in 2004. Stone, however, died in 2003 before its completion and Rupert Holmes (one-time pop song writer and Tony-winning playwright of Drood) was brought in to rework and complete the script. Curtains premiered July 25, 2006 at the Ahmanson Theatre, Los Angeles. It opened on Broadway March of 2007 and was nominated for eight Tony-Awards. The cast included David Hyde Pierce who won the Tony for Best Performance by a Leading Actor in a Musical.

Curtains authors John Kander (composer) and Fred Ebb (lyricist) were among the longest running partnerships in Broadway musical history, creating such award winning works as *Cabaret* and *Chicago*. Ebb passed away at 71 before *Curtains* transferred to Broadway, ending one of musical theatre's most successful and productive teams.

Director Gary Krinke and Chorographer John Vaughan, who last collaborated on Performance Riverside's acclaimed production of *Elton John and Tim Rice's Aida*, also created Performance Riverside's last "whodunit," *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*. The production is under the Musical Direction of Scott Smith.

The Landis Performing Arts Center is located on the Riverside City College campus at 4800 Magnolia Avenue. Performances are April 1, 2, 8, and 9 at 8pm, and April 2, 3, 9, and 10 at 2pm. Tickets start at \$27, with savings for groups of 10 or more. A specially priced "Discovery Theatre" performance for school groups is available on April 1 at 10am. For more information on these weekday morning shows visit www.DiscoveryTheatre.org.

For more information and to purchase tickets contact the Landis Box Office at (951) 222-8100, or purchase online at www.performanceriverside.org.

RIVERSIDE YOUTH THEATRE

The Wizard of Oz in March, with the Inland Empire Youth Theatre Competition in April. Classes for first graders through age 20. Dance, acting, voice. www.riversideyouththeatre.org.

SAN BERNARDINO SYMPHONY

San Bernardino Symphony Office at 415 W. 2nd Street. www.sanbernardinosymphony.org. (909) 318-5388.

POWER UNLEASHED: March 5, 8pm. Arvo Part, Cantus in Memory of Benjamin Britten. Jean Sibelius, Symphony no. 7 in C Major, op. 105. Sergie Rachmaninoff, piano concerto no. 3 in d minor. op. 30. Antonio Pompa-Baldi, piano. Carlo Ponti, music director and conductor. Tickets: \$20, \$35, \$45, \$55. Students and military with ID \$10.

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(909) 884-3228 or 1-866-687-4284. At the California Theatre of the Performing Arts, 562 W. 4th Street in San Bernardino. www.sinfoniamexicana.com.

STARS OF TOMORROW: March 13, 3pm. Sinfonia Mexicana Mariachi Youth Academy with Symphonie Jeunesse Orchestra. Ticket prices: \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20 (family of four). Children under 3 free. At the Sturges Center for the Fine Arts, 780 N. E St., San Bernardino. (909) 884-3228 or toll free (866) 687-4284. See article on page 13.

CONCIERTO PARA LAS MADRES "AMOR ETERNO": May 7, 7pm. Tribute to the music of Juan Gabriel, featuring Mariachi Espectacular de Beto Jimenez and his 15-piece chamber orchestra. Tickets prices \$21, \$36, \$46, \$61 (ask about 15% discount). Call (909) 884-3228 or toll free (866) 687-4284 or go online to www.sinfoniamexicana.com. 562 W. 4th Street, San Bernardino.

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SWINGIN - THE BENNY GOODMAN SONGBOOK: April 10, 2pm.. \$19-\$45.

THEATRE 29

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Enjoy a classic mystery with 'Ten Little Indians'



Riverside Community Players

aking a holiday on a secluded island sounds romantic and relaxing, but in the hands of the world's most popular mystery writer, a weekend jaunt can turn dangerous and deadly. To see whodunit, join the delighted audiences at Riverside Community Players' intimate venue when they enjoy Agatha Christie's *Ten Little Indians*, playing March 25 through April 10.

Agatha Christie's 1943 play (also known as And Then There Were None), based on her 1939 novel, is a masterpiece of mystery and murder. The story centers on ten strangers who are invited to an unfamiliar country house on an isolated island off the coast of Devon, England. On the mantel over the fireplace are statuettes of ten little Indians. A nursery rhyme above tells how each little Indian met his death--one by one until there were none. When life starts to imitate the nursery rhyme, the stranded strangers frantically search for the murderer, and their own guilty pasts return to haunt them.

At the production's helm is award-winning director Phil Holmer, who is well-known for his skillful handling of theatrical thrillers. He directed Agatha Christie's *The Mousetrap* last season as well as previous Players' mystery productions of *The Unexpected Guest, A Party to Murder, Rehearsal for Murder* and *Laura*.

"Maintaining a sense of mystery and suspense when the audience is all within a few rows of the action is challenging, but Phil [Holmer] always rises to the challenge and keeps the audience guessing," RCP Board Member Jennifer Lawson said.

The venue is an intimate theatrein-the-round and seats just over 180 patrons, so everyone has a great view of the performance.

Leading the cast of suspects is Inland Theatre League Award-winning actor Chris Marler as the solider of fortune Phillip Lombard and the lovely Madelyn Garcia as ex-governess Vera Claythorne. Other possible suspects and victims include Riverside resident Bill Hoag as the surgeon Dr. Armstrong, Karen Lancaster as the repressed and moralistic Emily Brent, Bob Miller as retired police investigator and private investigator William Blore, Walter Savell as the retired WWI hero General MacKenzie, Gary Douglas as the "hanging judge" Sir Lawrence Wargrave and Eric Dunn and Joyce Warhop as Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, the efficient but shifty butler and cook at the mysterious country house.

In addition to a stellar cast and director, Riverside Community Players has put together a top-notch production team. Larry Bates, who has won multiple Scotty and Inland Theatre League Awards for his work, serves as technical director. Long-time RCP member and Hess Award winner Win Carey of Riverside is in charge of creating costumes for the production.

Most scholars, along with Christie's devoted fans, consider *Ten Little Indians* to be one of the best mystery novels ever written. Her stage adaptation enjoyed a successful run in England before opening on Broadway at the Broadhurst Theatre on June 27, 1944, where *Ten Little Indians* played for well over 400 performances. The popular story also has been adapted for film two or three times and has inspired a video game.

For ticket reservations and information, call the Riverside Community Players' box office at (951) 686-4030, or go online to www.riversidecommunityplayers.com. The box office is open Monday-Saturday, 6pm-8pm and Sunday, 12pm-2pm, throughout the run of the show. Tickets are \$15. There is no late seating, and no children under 5 years of age are admitted.

Riverside Community Players is located at 4026 14th Street in Riverside, between Magnolia and Brockton Avenues.

Riverside County Regional holds Health and Safety Fair

iverside County Regional Medical Center will hold a Health and Safety Fair Saturday, March 26, at the Center, 26520 Cactus Ave., Moreno Vallev.



Among the many events and activities scheduled are: health screenings, viewing of emergency vehicles, health and safety education, injury prevention materials, music, and information on services available to Riverside County residents.

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St. Paddy's Parties at Killarney's

Temecula and Riverside locations offer large, parking lot bashes

et ready to put your Irish on, as St. Patrick's Day breaks in the Inland Empire with an authentic bash at Killarney's Restaurant and Irish Pub. With locations in Riverside and Temecula, you get your choice of venue.

The parties take place March 17. Too large to be contained inside, both locations will feature parking lot parties. As an Irish celebration, expect lots of good drink and live music playing all day. Bands in Temecula include Randal Gobs and Friends playing at 11am and at 4pm enjoy California Celts. In Riverside, music kicks off at 10am with Vince Nolan, then The Brick Tap Blaggers at 4pm and Dualing DJ's at 10pm.

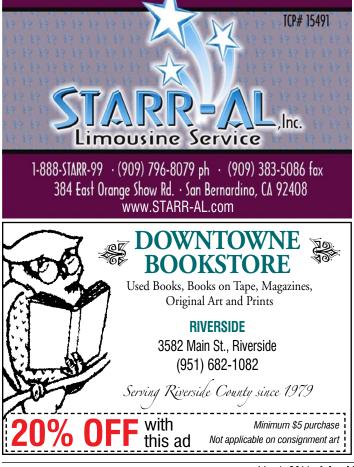
There is a \$5 cover charge until 3pm, then \$10 after. For extra comfort, feel free to bring your own chairs.

Killarney's in Temecula is located at 32475 Temecula Pkwy., in the El Pollo Loco shopping center. They open daily at 11am. For more information, call (951) 302-8338

Killarney's in Riverside is located at the Riverside Plaza, 3639 Riverside Plaza Dr. They open daily at 11am. For more information, call (951) 682-2933.

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Country Star Trace Adkins Heats Up The Scene At Fantasy Springs

ountry music fans, mark your calendar for Sunday, March 20 at 8pm. Fantasy Springs Resort Casino is the place to be to experience the music and the memorable songs of Trace Adkins. He made his debut in 1996 with the album "Dreamin' Out Loud." Since then, Adkins has added seven more studio albums and two Greatest Hits compilations to his resume.

His hit songs include "(This Ain't) No Thinkin' Thing," "Ladies Love Country Boys," and "You're Gonna Miss This."

Trace Adkins has earned the respect of his peers, winning several ACM and CMT music

awards. He has been nominated for Grammy Awards four times. Television audiences may also recognize Adkins as a panelist on the game shows "Hollywood Squares" and "Pyramid," as a finalist on "The Celebrity Apprentice" and as the voice for recurring character "Elvin" on "King of the Hill."

Tickets for Trace Adkins' show, put on in conjunction with KPLM 106.1FM, are \$39, \$59 and \$79 and may be purchased at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, by calling (800) 827-2946 or online at www.FantasySpringsResort.com.



The Desert's Green and Gold is at Spotlight 29 Casino This March

this March with over \$150,000 in cash giveaways and top entertainment all month long.

The cast from History's Pawn Stars, the hit cable television show, will bring their world-famous pawn show to Spotlight 29 Casino on Saturday, March 12 from Noon to 5 pm. Tickets are \$20 and provide a chance to experience live and up-close the world of the pawn business and see Richard "The Old Man," Rick "The Spotter," Corey "Big Hoss" and Chumlee all in action. In addition, a special VIP Pass will be offered for \$50 and it includes a 2-hour advance admittance from 10am to Noon. This is a private meet and greet, autograph signing, individual appraisals, on-the-spot purchases and a chance to chat with the cast. Attendees can bring items to the show to have them appraised and even purchased on-site for cash. Weapons and vehicles are not permitted.

On Saturday, March 26 at 8pm, Spotlight 29 Casino presents country music legend **Kenny Rogers**. Tickets are on sale now at \$65, \$75 and \$85 each. Come out to hear the iconic legend croon "The Gambler," "Lady," "She Believes in Me," "Islands in the Stream," "Coward of the Country" and other favorites. The sweetly raspy vocals are instantly identifi-

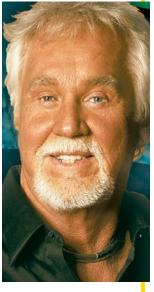
able as Kenny Rogers. He has a sound like nobody else that appeals to fans from rock, pop, country and soul audiences.

Catch the whirl of cash during a weekly **Friday Frenzy** in March. Every Friday \$100 will be given away every 10 minutes from 11am to 9pm.

March 11-13, Spotlight 29 Casino is hosting the **Fifth Annual Coachella Valley Poker Championship (CVPC)**. Buy-in is \$560 (\$500 + \$50 + \$10) with the largest guaranteed prize pool of \$100,000 in the Palm Springs area. The top 20 finishers in the Texas Hold'em Deepstack Tournament win cash. The tournament will be played in the casino's new poker room which features a smoke-free environment for players as well as an in-room lounge with drinks, snacks and additional seating.

This St. Patrick's Day the search for the pot of gold is over, it can be found at Spotlight 29 Casino's **Café O'Capitata**, for delicious traditional Irish fare, including corned beef and cabbage. All for just \$9.95 for lunch and \$14.95 for dinner. To continue the celebration of the Irish, on March 19 the casino will give away **Leprechaun's Loot**, with \$1,000 going to a lucky person every half hour from 2pm to 9pm.

Kenny Rogers performs at Spotlight 29 Casino March 26 at 8pm.



ABOUT SPOTLIGHT 29 CASINO: Spotlight 29 Casino features 2,000 slot machines, a poker room, a high limit slot area and a Platinum Lounge for Platinum Club Members. The Casino also has table games including Black Jack, Pai Gow, Mini-Baccarat and Let it Ride. Spotlight 29 Casino offers world class entertainment in a state-of-the-art 2,200 seat showroom, the Blue Bar with live entertainment and/or DIs and Groove spinning hits from the 60s, 70s and 80s. There are an array of dining choices including JEM Steakhouse and the all-you-can-eat buffet at Cafe Capitata. Open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Spotlight 29 Casino is a business venture of the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians. For more information, go online to www.Spotlight29.com or call (760) 775-5566. III

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FRANKIE VALLI AND THE 4 SEASONS: March 12. MELISSA ETHERIDGE: March 19. See article on page 22.

TRACE ADKINS: March 20, 8pm. See article on page 20.

WHOOPI GOLDBERG: March 26.

JAMIE FOXX: April 9. See article on page 22. ROCK YARD: Live bands on the outdoor stage, Saturdays. Cover band 7-9pm, and 10:30pm-midnight, tribute band 9-10:30pm. No cover, 18 and older.

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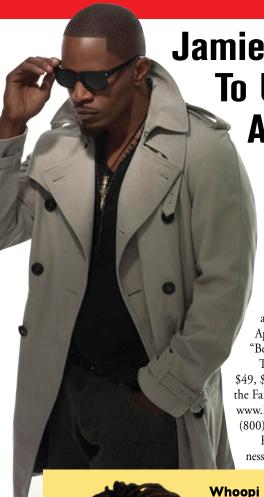
(951) 693-1819. www.pechanga.com. 45000 Pala Road, Temecula. Box Office (951) 303-2507. LEA SALONGA: March 4. PEPE AGUILAR: March 10-11.

BOWZER'S ULTIMATE DOO WOP PARTY: March 19.

LARRY THE CABLE GUY: March 26.

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Jamie Foxx Aims
To Use Intuition
At Fantasy
Springs

ctor, singer and musician Jamie Foxx admits it is "tough to be successful in the music business, but as long as I've got the piano and I can sit down and get my point across," he says, "it's worth doing." He thinks he will always have the passion for it and intends on bringing that passion to fans at Fantasy Springs Resort Casino on Saturday, April 9 at 8pm. Foxx released his newest album, "Best Night of My Life," in December 2010.

Tickets for Jamie Foxx at Fantasy Springs are \$49, \$69, \$89 and \$99 and may be purchased at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, online at www.FantasySpringsResort.com or by calling (800) 827-2946.

Foxx is only the fourth person in show business history to win an Academy Award for acting

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(for his portrayal of Ray Charles in 2004's Ray) and to release a Number One album. The other three are the venerable Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby and Barbra Streisand. With his second album, Intuition, Foxx strived to go even farther—to create a state-of-theart R&B album that will solidify his place among music's elite. Foxx says that his approach in the studio is to stay humble, ask questions, and listen to advice, especially from the new generation.

"You have to let the young heads, the young girls and guys, lead you in the direction you need to go. I try to go in like a starving artist."



Fantasy Springs hosts Performance by Melissa Etheridge

rammy and Academy Award winner Melissa Etheridge looks through her window to come to Fantasy Springs Resort Casino on March 19 at 8pm. She's said to have sold nearly 30 million albums worldwide and about half of those in the United States.

Tickets for Melissa Etheridge's show are \$49, \$69 and \$89 and are available in person at the Fantasy Springs Box Office, via telephone at (800) 827-2946 or online at www.FantasySpringsResort. com.

Known for her mixture of confessional lyrics, pop-based folk-rock, and raspy vocals, says The All Music Guide, Etheridge touts 12 album releases during the last 20 or so years. Her most recent album, "Fearless Love," is described on her website as a collection of new songs that "pulls no punches-again, very typical of Melissa Etheridge-as it expands the musical and topical boundaries that she has never stopped redrawing."

As an artist and public figure, Etheridge remains committed to many causes, including raising the awareness for early detection of breast cancer. After being diagnosed with the disease in 2004, she says she has beaten the disease for seven years.

She regularly collaborates with other artists, most recently with up and coming singer/songwriter Serena Ryder. Audiences will also see Etheridge take the stage in one week of performances in Green Day's "American Idiot" on Broadway.

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CHICAGO: April 1-2. TONY BENNETT: April 9.

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BLUE BAR: Live entertainment seven days a week. **FRIDAY FRENZY:** In March, every Friday \$100 will be given away every 10 minutes from 11am to 9pm. See article on page 20.

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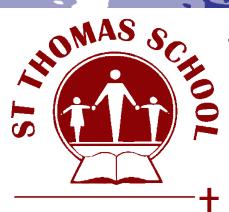
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The Wizard of Oz in March, with the Inland Empire Youth Theatre Competition in April. Classes for first graders through age 20. Dance, acting, voice. www. riversideyouththeatre.org.

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Located at 8437 Sierra Avenue in Fontana. For information, call (909) 428-8818 or go online to www. fontanarecreation.org.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: Thursday evenings at 6pm. Free. (Not held on dates with special events or holidays.)

THE GREEN SHOW: A musical comedy about conservation and environmental awareness. March 8 at 6:30pm.

Send your events to ier@inlandreview.com or go online to www.inlandreview.com.

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780 N. E St., San Bernardino.



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Academy with Symphonie Jeunesse Orchestra. Ticket prices: \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20 (family of four). Children under 3 free. (909) 884-3228 or toll free (866) 687-4284. See article on page 13.

VIRGINIA WARING INTERNATIONAL PIANO COMPETITION

Virtuoso pianists ages 9 to 17 from around the world compete in solo, concerto and master class rounds in the Junior and Intermediate Divisions. Most Events Free. Two venues: CSUSB-Palm Desert & Concerto finals with full orchestra at the McCallum Theatre: \$15, 25 & 35. Event runs March 27 through April 3. 2011. www.VWIPC.org. (760) 773-2575. See article on page 15.

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ALPINE SLIDE AT MAGIC MOUNTAIN

The Alpine Slide lets riders experience Olympic-like action as they negotiate sleds along a quarter-mile track with banked turns and long straightaways. The Alpine Slide at Magic Mountain is located on the boulevard in Big Bear Lake, 1/4 mile west of the Village shopping area, home to 60 specialty stores. 800 Wild Rose Lane. Call (909) 866-4626. See article on page 8.

BOOMERS

In Upland. Miniature golf, go karts, bumper boats, rock wall, ferris wheel, spinning tubs, airplane ride, tiny tot cars, two arcades, snack bar & cafe. 1500 W. Seventh, Upland. Call (909) 946-9555. www.boomersparks.com.

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Rides, games and miniature golf. 3500 Polk Ave., Riverside. (951) 785-3000.

FIESTA VILLAGE

Two miniature golf courses, race cars, the largest batting cage facility in Southern California, amusement rides, Lazer Odyssey, arcade and waterpark. 1405 E. Washington St., Colton. (909) 824-1111. www.FiestaVillage.com.

KNOTT'S BERRY FARM

With over 165 rides, shows and attractions in five themed areas, Knott's Berry Farm has it all when it comes to family fun. www.knotts.com.

LEWIS FAMILY PLAYHOUSE

12505 Cultural Center Dr., Rancho Cucamonga. Tickets available at lewisfamilyplayhouse.com, (909) 477-2752.

JASON BISHOP MAGIC SHOW: March 26, 7pm. Tickets: \$21.50 general, \$19.50 senior, \$18.50 youth.

ORANGE EMPIRE RAILWAY MUSEUM

Open 9am to 5pm daily, 2201 S. A St., Perris; train and trolley rides, weekends and holidays, 11am to 5pm; all-day train and trolley pass \$12. children 5-11 \$8. (951) 943-3020. www.oerm.org.

'Insectival!' at the County Museum

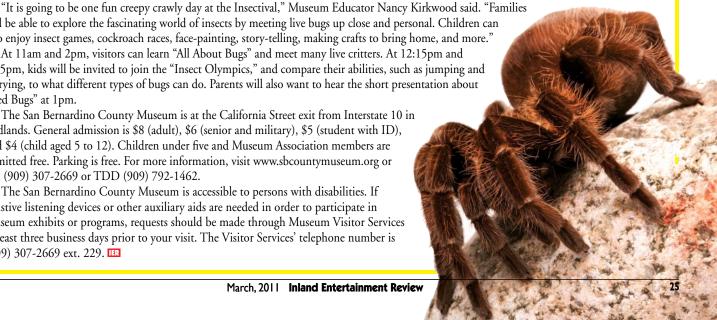
That kind of insect can live up to 50 years? Which bugs taste with their feet? And how many "knees" do spiders have? Find out the answers as you encounter these insects at the "Insectival!" at the San Bernardino County Museum on Saturday, March 12 from 9am to 5pm. This program is included in paid museum admission.

will be able to explore the fascinating world of insects by meeting live bugs up close and personal. Children can also enjoy insect games, cockroach races, face-painting, story-telling, making crafts to bring home, and more." At 11am and 2pm, visitors can learn "All About Bugs" and meet many live critters. At 12:15pm and 3:15pm, kids will be invited to join the "Insect Olympics," and compare their abilities, such as jumping and carrying, to what different types of bugs can do. Parents will also want to hear the short presentation about

"Bed Bugs" at 1pm. The San Bernardino County Museum is at the California Street exit from Interstate 10 in Redlands. General admission is \$8 (adult), \$6 (senior and military), \$5 (student with ID), and \$4 (child aged 5 to 12). Children under five and Museum Association members are admitted free. Parking is free. For more information, visit www.sbcountymuseum.org or

call (909) 307-2669 or TDD (909) 792-1462.

The San Bernardino County Museum is accessible to persons with disabilities. If assistive listening devices or other auxiliary aids are needed in order to participate in museum exhibits or programs, requests should be made through Museum Visitor Services at least three business days prior to your visit. The Visitor Services' telephone number is (909) 307-2669 ext. 229. **III**



Living History Flying Event to Feature 'Recovering Lost Aircraft'

ecovering Lost Aircraft" will be the subject of the monthly Living History Flying Event hosted by Planes of Fame Air Museum at the Chino Airport on Saturday, April 2. The event will begin at 10am with a seminar featuring Peter Stekel, author of "Final Flight: The Mystery of a WW II Plane Crash and the Frozen Airmen of the High Sierra," and also describe efforts being undertaken to recover historic aircraft that have been lost in the wilds, waterways and glaciers of the world for decades. The program will be concluded with a flight demonstration by a Planes of Fame Air Museum warbird.

Over the years, many aircraft types apparently became extinct as they were discarded in favor of newer and more advanced designs. However, as the historic and material value of those forgotten aircraft became obvious, individuals and organizations embarked on searches throughout the world to find and recover lost aircraft. Despite ages of neglect, many lost aircraft have now been restored for display purposes, and even brought back to flying condition.

One of the most recent recoveries was that of the Boeing B-17E Flying Fortress known as "Swamp Ghost." Lost on the first American bombing raid in the South Pacific, the B-17 made a forced landing in a swamp at Papua, New Guinea in February 1942 and remained forgotten until 1972. "Swamp Ghost" was finally returned to the United States in June



The fuselage of the B-17E Flying Fortress "Swamp Ghost" is now on display at Planes of Fame Air Museum, courtesy of David Tallichet's Military Aircraft Restoration Corporation.

2010 and its forward fuselage is currently on view in "as is" condition at Planes of Fame Air Museum.

An independent, non-profit institution dedicated to preserving the history and artifacts of aviation, Planes of Fame Air Museum was the first permanent air museum in the American West and a pioneer in the concept of restoring historic aircraft to flying condition for public

display. The museum is open to the public from 10am until 5pm Sunday through Friday, and from 9am until 5pm on Saturday. General admission is \$11, youngsters 5-11 are admitted for \$4, and admission is free for accompanied children under five.

For more information, call (909) 597-7576 or visit the Planes of Fame Air Museum website at www.planesoffame.org.

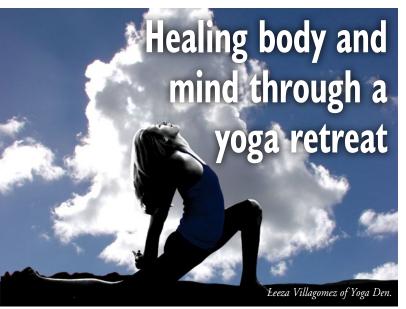
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MIND AND BODY



oga Den is a fitting name for the family-style hub Leeza Villagomez has created in the Inland Empire, as it has the comfortable vibe of a family room where everyone looks forward to lounging, eating and playing. And, lounge, eat and play they do. Leeza is known for bringing in pitchers of her famous energy tonic for students to sip, and with a ready smile she demonstrates the art of creating a green vegetable drink or pot of Ayurvedic kitcheree for her yogi students.

Leeza's first inspiration to try yoga came when she was about to turn eighteen, in the summer of 1983, after watching a television interview where Raquel Welch was talking about her Yoga practice. Inspired, Leeza sent away for Raquel Welch's video, found any books she could on yoga at the library and started meeting people who were involved in the practice. When she was twenty, the six foot-tall blonde lived and worked outside the US for the first time in Japan.

While Leeza seems like a natural as the owner of a yoga studio and den mother for a vibrant community, she didn't necessarily plan on having this be part of her path. Even though she's a native of Corona who grew up on a three-acre farm with everything from fruit trees, peacocks, horses and chickens, she traveled the world, working as a model in sixteen different countries before returning home to Southern California. Her extended family still lives in the Inland Empire, including her parents and four siblings. When she was still pursuing her wanderlust, Leeza's mother said in a prescient moment, "You can gallivant all you want, but the love of your life will be here." And sure enough, Leeza met her husband Humberto in a yoga class in Corona. Together since 1998 and married since 2000, Leeza describes him both as her soulmate and a stalwart support for the studio. The two share an open-minded Christian faith, an active, joyful and adventurous lifestyle, and two daughters: Ava, five and Xenia, eight.

The great thing about a retreat is that you set your intentions for a designated time that allows your mind to create a shift not allowed in your average day. By creating this time and space you're able to access parts of your mind that are usually preoccupied. An open mind combined with this intent gives you permission to truly let go of anything you're holding on to. For example, a cleanse retreat will help you clear unwanted toxins from your body but a retreat to Costa Rica may recreate your mind. Whatever you choose, your path to renewal and rediscovery has begun.

"My first retreat was a cleanse. Having cut all animal protein from my diet for weeks gave me the foundation needed for this great cleanse. My energy level was amazing and I lost 8 lbs over three days. I wish I could have continued for another week but my work schedule wouldn't allow. Three months later I did it again but soon found out it's different every time. My energy level was low and quite frankly I felt ill but I stuck with it knowing the benefits. As you begin to understand and change what you put into your body you'll begin to peal away at the layers of toxins and self abuse you have accumulated over the years. I look forward to these retreats as a time in which I can put myself first and really heal my heart, mind, and body." K.C.

The path to a retreat is one you create. It can take many forms and its experience is as unique as the individual. A retreat may be a one day retreat immersed in yoga with a partner or a one week retreat in complete solitude in the mountains. It's a time and space that is defined to you and your inner self. In our everyday lives this part of us is often overlooked and hushed. A one hour yoga class can take you inward and be your daily retreat. A time to heal and breathe, a retreat is vital. It can be as simple or intrinsic as you allow.

The progression from student to studio owner is a manifestation of the power of persistence. Ten years ago, wanting to settle down, her love of yoga led Leeza to teach, then rent a small space, then a larger one and then finally to buy the building now home to the Yoga Den Health Spa. A thorough yogini, Leeza models the balance of family, eating by listening to her body, running a studio and maintaining her own practice.

For more information about the Yoga Den Health Spa, go online to www. yogadenhealthspa.com or call (951) 279-9642. The Yoga Den Health Spa is located at 1035 Montecito Dr. in Corona.



What To Do

EVENT GUIDE

FAIRS, FESTIVALS, EVENTS



ARMC 5TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY 5K WALK/RUN & FITNESS EXPO

March 12, check-in begins at 7am, and the Walk/Run begins at about 8:30am. ARMC's event is an outreach effort designed to raise awareness about obesity and diabetes. ARMC is located at 400 North Pepper Ave., in Colton. For more information, go online to www.arrowheadmedcenter.org.



CALIFORNIA WELCOME CENTER

Ask for a regional recreation and relaxation passport. 1955 Hunts Lane, #102, in San Bernardino.

Get your event listed in the



"What To Do" Section

If you have an upcoming event that you would like to see listed in these pages, please send the following information:

- Name of the event
- · Date and time
- · City, location and address
- A contact phone number
- Name of the person submitting the event

Send it in one of the following ways: **EMAIL:** IER@InlandReview.com

FAX: (951) 710-6453

MAIL: Inland Entertainment Review c/o Word Mill Publishing 5055 Canyon Crest Dr. Riverside, CA 92507

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(909) 891-1874. visitcwc.com or cwcinlandempire.com.

CANYON CREST TOWNE CENTRE

Shop, dine, relax and enjoy at the Towne Centre, located at 5225 Canyon Crest Dr. in Riverside. (951) 686-1222.

www.cctownecentre.com. Outdoor events are weather permitting. ART SHOW: Second Saturday of each month, 10am until 3pm. CAR SHOW: Second Sunday of each

month, 2pm until 5pm.

COLLEGE OF THE DESERT STREET FAIR

Open air shopping open every Saturday and Sunday at 7am. 340 vendors, arts and crafts, farmers' market. 43-500 Monterey Ave., Palm Desert. (760) 636-7958. www. codstreetfair.net.

HEALTH AND SAFETY FAIR



March 26, 9am to 2pm, at Riverside County Regional Medical Center, 26520 Cactus Ave., Moreno Valley. Health

screenings, viewing emergency vehicles, music, health and safety education, injury prevention materials, and information on services available to Riverside County residents. www.rcrmc.org. (951) 486-7556. See article on page 18.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY IRISH FAIR AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

Fairplex at the Pomona Fairgrounds, 1101 West McKinley Ave., Pomona. March 12-13, 10am-6pm. Seven stages featuring Irish entertainment and live bands. Special attractions include an ancient Irish village, sheepherding demos, story tellers and more. Authentic Irish food, and shops. Tickets: adults \$18, seniors and students \$16, children 11 and under free. www.la-irishfair.com.

11TH ANNUAL OLD TOWN TEMECULA BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

March 18 through March 20. Daytime concerts both Saturday, March 19 and Sunday the 20th are free. Paid evening concerts are held indoors at the Old Town Temecula Community Theater. Saturday and Sunday's daytime concerts include the Byron

Berline Band, Bluegrass Etc., Silverado Bluegrass, the Hunt Family Bluegrass, Bluegrass Brethren, Sligo Rags, and another four bands to be named later. Friday evening is the Grascals performing in the theater at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$20 and available online at www.temeculatheater.org. Saturday evening will feature the Byron Berline Band, Bluegrass Etc and Silverado in concert in the theater. Public parking is free. Reservations are recommended at (951) 678-0831. For more information call (951) 693-3952 or visit www.temeculacalifornia.com.

POMONA QUILT, CRAFT AND SEWING FESTIVAL

March 10-12, at the Fairplex located at the Fairplex Dr. exit off of the I-10 freeway. See article on page 9.



RCX

Tthe ultimate event in RC entertainment and action-packed family fun, March 19-20. A one-of-a-kind expo where attendees are part of the nonstop activity—from flight zones and boat ponds to indoor and outdoor dirt racetracks—everyone, including kids, are encouraged to get in on the RC action. www.rcx.com.

RIVERSIDE DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET

Main Street in Riverside between 5th and 6th Streets, enjoy a wide variety of novelty and fresh food. Saturdays, 8am to 1pm.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL

Outside the California Theatre of the Performing Arts, 562 W. Fourth St., San Bernardino, 4-9pm, March 17-18. Features Irish music and dance, food and beverages, and contests. Admission is free to the event, on the downtown "green" at the corner of Fourth and E streets. (909) 885-5152. www.theatricalarts.com.

ST. PATRICK'S PARTIES AT KILLARNEY'S



March 17 at Killarney's locations in Riverside and Temecula. Bands in Temecula include Randal Gobs and Friends playing at 11am

and at 4pm enjoy California Celts. In Riverside, music kicks off at 10am with Vince Nolan, then The Brick Tap Blaggers at 4pm and Dualing DJ's at 10pm. See article on page 19.

SINFONIA MEXICANA

(909) 884-3228 or 1-866-687-4284. At the California Theatre of the Performing Arts, 562 W. 4th Street in San Bernardino. www. sinfoniamexicana.com.



STARS OF TOMORROW: March 13, 3pm. Sinfonia Mexicana

Mariachi Youth

Academy with Symphonie Jeunesse Orchestra. Ticket prices: \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20 (family of four). Children under 3 free. At the Sturges Center for the Fine Arts, 780 N. E St., San Bernardino. (909) 884-3228 or toll free (866) 687-4284. See article on page 13.

CONCIERTO PARA LAS MADRES "AMOR ETERNO": May 7, 7pm.

Tribute to the music of Juan Gabriel, featuring Mariachi Espectacular de Beto Jimenez and his 15-piece chamber orchestra. Tickets prices \$21, \$36, \$46, \$61 (ask about 15% discount). Call (909) 884-3228 or toll free (866) 687-4284 or go online to www.sinfoniamexicana.com. 562 W. 4th Street. San Bernardino.

STURGES CENTER FOR THE FINE ARTS

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19TH ANNUAL WALK WITH THE ANIMALS FUNDRAISER

To benefit the Mary S. Roberts Pet Adoption Center in Riverside. Pledge walk, pancake breakfast, Muttley Crew K9s, Urban Search and Rescue demo, exhibits, boutique, rescue groups, low-cost vaccinations/microchips. Free admission. March 19, 8am-noon, Fairmount Park (band shell area), Market St., Riverside. www.petsadoption.org. (951) 688-4340 x307.

WALK ON BLUE MOUNTAIN

March 13, 8am-11am. Trailhead at Palm Ave. and Honey Hill Dr. in Grand Terrace. (909) 783-1664. Support the effort to create a wilderness park on Blue Mountain. www. cityofgrandterrace.org/walk.

WESTFEST & FRANK BOGERT MEMORIAL



Presented by Spa Resort Casino, the largest Western Festival in California, March 24-27, the

WestFest encompasses 25 acres that include the Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel and the Palm Springs Convention Center. See article on page 6.

MOUNTAIN ACTIVITIES



ALPINE SLIDE AT MAGIC MOUNTAIN

Riders experience Olympic-like action as they negotiate sleds along a quarter-mile track with banked turns and long straightaways.

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Call (909) 866-4626. See article on page 8.

MUSEUMS

CABOT'S PUEBLO MUSEUM



In Desert Hot Springs. Museum collection includes Native American pottery and baskets, artifacts and

other treasures. www.cabotsmuseum. org. (760) 329-7610. See article on page 7.

EDWARD-DEAN MUSEUM & GARDENS

9401 Oak Glen Rd., Cherry Valley. (951) 845-2626.

www.edward-deanmuseum.org. The Museum is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10am to 5pm and is closed on county holidays. Admission to the Museum is \$5; children 12 and under are free. Guided tours are available by appointment. The Museum's permanent collections are primarily 16th through 19th century European and Asian decorative arts including furniture, ceramics, glass, textiles, sculptures, and many small collections such as miniature paintings, fans and pocket watches.

THE HISTORIC SITE OF THE ORIGINAL MCDONALDS/ROUTE 66 MUSEUM

Toys, collectables, photo memorabilia, vintage road signs. Open 10am-5pm daily. 1398 N. E St., San Bernardino. Free admission. (909) 885-6324.

IDYLLWILD NATURE CENTER

25225 Hwy. 243, 1/2 mile north of ldyllwild. (951) 659-3850. www.idyllwildnaturecenter.net. Open Tues.-Sun., 9am-4:30pm.

THE INLAND EMPIRE MILITARY MUSEUM

WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Gulf, Iraq and Afghanistan wars military memorabilia. Open Sat. and Sun., 10am-5pm, Mon.-Fri. by appointment. 1394 N. E St. in San Bernardino. Free admission. (909) 885-6324 or (909) 888-0477.

PALM SPRINGS AIR MUSEUM

An educational non-profit organization with over 28 flyable planes and interactive exhibits housed in 60,000 square feet of climate-controlled hangars. 745 N. Gene Autry Trail, Palm Springs, (760) 778-6262. www.PalmSpringsAirMuseum.



PLANES OF FAME AIR MUSEUM

The museum is open Sunday through Friday from 10am to 5pm, Saturday from 9am to 5pm. 7000 Merrill Ave., Chino. (909) 597-3722.

www.planesoffame.org.
TURNING THE TIDE IN THE PACIFIC

AIR WAR: The Planes of Fame Air Museum's monthly Living History Flying Event at the Chino Airport on Saturday, March 5. The event will begin at 10am with a seminar describing the crucial air battles of 1942 and 1943 that turned the tide of World War II in the Pacific against the Japanese and conclude with a flight demonstration by Tom Camp's General Motors-built Grumman FM-2 Wildcat naval fighter plane.

RECOVERING LOST AIRCRAFT:

Living History Flying Event, April 2. See article on page 26.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY MUSEUM

At California Street exit from I-10 in Redlands. Open Tuesdays - Sundays, 9am-5pm. General admission \$8 (adult), \$6 (military or senior), \$5 (student), and \$4 (child aged 5 to 12). Children under five and Museum Association members are admitted free. Parking is free.

www.sbcountymuseum.org, (909) 307-2669.

READING DISCOVERIES: Held every second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm, and a Friday afternoon discussion at 2pm (he Friday groups will meet every other month). Open to public free of charge. Read books in natural and cultural history that are relevant to understanding our place in the world. Participants will plan to informally journey to the coast to observe tide pools in March. On March 9, the group will read and discuss "Ecology of Fear" by Mike Davis. He will also be at the museum for a book signing on Sunday, March 6 at 2pm, where visitors will get a chance to chat with him.

WALLY PARKS NHRA MOTORSPORTS MUSEUM

Open Wednesday - Sunday 10am-5pm. The Museum features over 80 historical race cars from several venues. Racing memorabilia spanning the History of NHRA, specialty exhibits rotate throughout the year. Huge museum gift shop and so much more! (909) 622-2133. 1101 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona, Gate 1, LA County Fairolex.

www.museum.nhra.com.

PROLONG TWILIGHT CRUISE: April 6. Rods, customs, classics, muscle cars from 1970 and earlier are welcome. In the NHRA parking lot, 4-8pm. Admission to the cruise is free.

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