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Redwood City presents **SUMMER SERIES 2019**

13th Year of Free Events and Activities in Redwood City

Redwood City, CA – Redwood City welcomes the community for its thirteenth year of exciting events and fun activities for the entire family. Redwood City is renowned for its incredible variety of FREE concerts and entertainment, featuring top-quality local and national performers, along with the latest films. From rock, blues, Celtic, and swing, to Latin, salsa, country, jazz, just-for-kids and more, the free concerts are a great way to spend your summer with friends, family, and neighbors in beautiful Redwood City! The series kick off at the end of May, on Wednesdays with Music in the Park; on Thursdays with Movies on the Square; and on Fridays featuring Music on the Square. Other ongoing events in the summer months include Classical Concerts; Shakespeare in the Park; Pub in the Park featuring bluegrass music; Kidchella: a concert series for kids; as well as special outdoor exhibits featuring ART on the Square.

The pleasant European atmosphere of Courthouse Square, with its cooling fountains and surrounding exotic shops and eateries, offers friends, family, and neighbors a stunning place to gather and enjoy balmy summer evenings. Redwood City is still the only city on the SF Peninsula to be offering so many free events of this scope, so come on out and join the fun! (Details at www.RedwoodCityEvents.com)

Music in the Park

Free music for ten full weeks throughout the summer! The 2019 season features concerts in a laid-back park ambiance on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 8 pm, starting off with *Janel and the Heist* on June 12th. With unique and varied musical performances — including Motown, Celtic, Zydeco, <u>Rockabilly</u>, Funk/Soul and much more—families and friends will enjoy our free outdoor concert series, in the relaxing setting of beautiful Stafford Park, this year through August 14th. There is also a concession tent selling hamburgers, hot dogs, potato chips and drinks, graciously operated by the Optimist Club of Redwood City. All proceeds benefit the Save the Music program in Redwood City Schools. More info at: www.redwoodcity.org/musicinthepark

Movies on the Square

Redwood City's summer movie experience brings you FREE movies on Thursday evenings starting on June 6th at sundown (approximately 8:45pm). Enjoy a variety of movies that will delight kids and adults alike, which showcases many new releases. Highlights of the season include *Green Book* on June 6th, plus *Crazy Rich Asians* on July 11th, and *Bohemian Rhapsody* on August 8th over the 13 weeks. Movie-goers can also enjoy excellent family classics such as *Despicable Me 3* on June 27th, *Incredibles 2* on August 1st, and Forrest Gump - 25th Anniversary on August 22nd, among many others. Come early for the best seats (a limited number of chairs and tables are available), bring your blankets, and pick up take-out food from the delicious choices of restaurants nearby.

Redwood City is THE ONLY city in California offering surround sound movies, so come enjoy the scene and experience outdoor "theater" with our 25-foot screen. More info about Movies on the Square at: www.redwoodcity.org/movies

Music on the Square

Free music every week throughout the summer! This year brings 14 unique concerts on Friday evenings from 6 to 8 pm, beginning with the dance band *The Peelers Band* on May 31st and running through August 30th with the seasonal favorite *Pride and Joy* closing out the season. With top-quality local and national musical performers — from rock and pop, to reggae and much more— music fans of all ages will be thrilled to discover and enjoy our free summer concert series. Courthouse Square is the Community's "Living Room" and the weather can't be beat! Come down and spend Fridays with us! More details are at www.redwoodcity.org/musiconthesquare

Classical on the Square

For the classical, instrumental or opera music lover, or anyone who appreciates great musical talent, Redwood City offers three concerts for its Classical Music Series starting in June. The series launches at 7pm with *Redwood Symphony* on June 22nd, followed by *Opera San Jose* on July 21st at 6pm. The season concludes on September 8th with *Bayshore Lyric Opera* at 5pm. Families will love these free classical concerts, performed outdoors on beautiful Courthouse Square. Learn more at: www.redwoodcity.org/classical

Sounds of the Shores

Redwood City takes its summer music out to Redwood Shores for 3 weekends throughout the summer. These performances at Marlin Park, including *The Shanks* on June 23rd, *Groove Doctor* on July 21st, followed by *Cocktail Monkeys* on August 18th, are a local family favorite. Marlin Park is located on the lagoons of Redwood Shores and provides a picturesque setting for live music, and the enjoyment of kids and adults alike!

Learn more at: www.redwoodcity.org/soundsoftheshores

Kidchella - Kid's Concert Series

Redwood City is pleased to offer its kids music series for the seventh year! Four live music concerts on Sundays throughout the summer will be MCd by Andy-Z, the Master of Music and Play, bringing his high energy to Courthouse Square for the joy of kids and adults alike. Sponsored by Redwood City's Public Library and Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, this series will provide a safe and fun environment for kids to dance and enjoy live music from 11am to 1pm. The 2019 season launches with *The HipWaders* on June 23rd, followed by *Purple Fox and the Heebie Jeebies* on July 21st. New to Kidchella, the band *Octopretzel* comes next on August 18th, with the series winding up on Sept. 8th with *Andy Z and the Andyland Band*. Your family will be thrilled to enjoy free live music, along with an inflatable play-land and more, at the Kidchella series this summer! Read more at: www.redwoodcity.org/kidchella

Shakespeare in the Park

Celebrating its 37th year, San Francisco Shakespeare Festival brings its performance of *As You Like It* to Downtown Redwood City for 3 weekends from August 10th through the 25th. Shakespeare in the Park offers three 7:00pm shows on Saturdays, and three 4:00pm shows on Sundays, while providing an opportunity to see high quality, professional theater in the relaxing outdoor setting of Sequoia Campus, free of charge. Treat yourself to some Shakespeare this August, for a moment that is sure to please. Learn more at: www.redwoodcity.org/shakespeare

Pub in the Park

Imagine a leisurely summer afternoon, lounging in a park, while listening to live Bluegrass music, sipping delicious local brews and enjoying lawn games. Redwood City is offering this idyllic scenario for a second year, named Pub in the Park on June 15th, July 20th, August 10th & September 7th from 11am to 4pm. From June to September, we'll stock our British-style inflatable pub with quality beers on tap from local breweries including Blue Oak Brewing, and delicious cider from South City Cider. Pub in the Park offers a laid-back space to hang with friends and family and enjoy some cold ones.

Bring lawn chairs and blankets for a picnic style afternoon, complete with FREE live music and lawn games such as croquet, cornhole (bean bag toss), and more! Redwood City Parks are perfect spots for friends and family to hang out and enjoy a chill vibe, complete with grassy lawns and shady trees. Plus, the event will host food trucks for your gastronomic pleasure. Learn more at: www.redwoodcity.org/pubinthepark

ART on the Square

ART on the Square celebrates its 13th anniversary of bringing fine arts and crafts to downtown Redwood City for five juried special events, starting on June 14th at Courthouse Square. Complementing Music on the Square and the PAL Music Festival, ART on the Square showcases original painting, photography, jewelry, glass, ceramics, and more, at prices for every budget. There's also exquisite jewelry at every show, and for those who can't get enough of it, there is a special **Jewelry on the Square** on July 12th. Plus, every ART on the Square event is combined with great music, food, and fun! More information about ART on the Square is at: www.redwoodcity.org/artonthesquare

More info about all of the events at www.RedwoodCityEvents.com

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These free events are presented by the City of Redwood City's Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, and Civic Cultural Commission. The City of Redwood City would also like to thank the following sponsors for their generous contributions to the series below:

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