



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

AGENDA DATE: June 26, 2013
TO: Parks and Recreation Commission
FROM: Recreation Division, Parks and Recreation Department
SUBJECT: Concerts in the Park 2013

RECOMMENDATION: That the Commission receive a written report about the upcoming Concerts in the Park program.

DISCUSSION: Summer has begun and so has the countdown for one of the community's favorite summer events, the 14th Annual Concerts in the Parks program. Parks and Recreation staff has been working closely with event sponsors to insure that this annual event meets the public's high expectations.

Concerts in the Parks

The City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation Department's Concerts in the Parks program will kick off another exciting summer of free concerts with opening night, Thursday, June 27, 2013. Approximately 35,000 people attended last year's concert season, and this year's lineup is sure to bring in large audiences. The Chase Palm Park series opener will feature Vaud and the Villains, a 19-piece 1930s New Orleans Orchestra and Cabaret Show. Escape into Americana Noir with the smoking hot horns, sizzling strings and vocals that will launch you out of your seats. Let your dancing shoes fly to the sounds of Big Daddy, Peaches Mahoney, Lady Creole, and Vaud Overstreet as they lead you to salvation. You don't want to miss this memorable opening night!

The series will continue with five more concerts, all held on Thursday nights from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. in Chase Palm Park.

Funding for the concert series was raised through donations, corporate sponsorship, and a grant. This summer's series sponsors are the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, KLITE, KTYD, Santa Barbara Independent, Solar City, XL5 Events, ParentClick.com, and Santa Barbara Family Life Magazine. A generous grant was also awarded by the Towbes Foundation. Staff would like to recognize these funders, and thank them for their generous support.

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Parks and Recreation Department staff invites the public to come out and enjoy this concert series held in beautiful Chase Palm Park!

ATTACHMENT: 2013 Concert Schedule

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