

getting out

Arts, Events, Clubs and Meetings for the month of June 2008

All listings are as of date of publication deadline. We encourage you to call or visit listing Websites to confirm dates, times, etc.

DOWNTOWN

Concord Farmers' Market

Tuesdays year round from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Thursday through October from 4 until 8 p.m. Todos Santos Plaza, Concord, at Willow Pass Road and Grant Street. Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association, 825-9090.

Music at Noon

Tuesdays 12 – 1:30 p.m. Free lunchtime music series. Enjoy some of the Bay Area's best music for free! Todos Santos Plaza, Concord, at Willow Pass Road and Grant Street. Hotline is 671-3464.

June 3 – The Shillz. Natalie Merchant meets Sheryl Crow
June 10 – Jeffrey Halford and the Healers. Poetic, gutsy American roots rocker.
June 17 – California Cowboys. Rowdy, foot stomping country originals
June 24 – In Disguise, featuring Jack Pollard. Lou Rawls to Nat King Cole to Ray Charles.

Acoustic Tuesday

A night time spin-off of the Music at Noon series. Mini farmers market and free acoustic music. Todos Santos Plaza, Concord, at Willow Pass Road and Grant Street. Hotline is 671-3464.

July 1- Country Joe McDonald. Woodstock folk legend leads the Guinness Book of Records guitar event (see story pg 3).
July 8 – Houston Jones. High Octane Americana.
July 15 – La Catrina Quartet. Brilliant young classical string quartet.

Thursdays Music and Market Series

Farmers market from 6:30 – 8 p.m. and free music concerts with yet another series of Bay Area musicians. Todos Santos Plaza, Concord, at Willow Pass Road and Grant Street. Hotline is 671-3464.
June 5 – Fundamentals. Show-stopping covers, ultimate party band.
June 12- Earl Thomas. Soul singer extraordinaire.
June 19 – Salvador Santana, Carlos Santana's phenomenal son. Latin, funk, hip-hop.
June 26 – Aja Vu. Music of Steely Dan.

July 3 – Dave Crimmen. C; Assoc 50's and 60's rock-a-billy.
July 10 – Zoo Station. The complete U2 experience.
July 17 – Da Island Way. Polynesian dance and music.

Dad Day in the Park

Sunday, June 15 from 2 – 4 p.m. Celebrate Dad while you enjoy food, fun activities, and a special free concert in the park with Steve Lucky and the Rhumba Bums, featuring Miss Carmen Getit! Todos Santos Plaza, Downtown Concord (Willow Pass Road at Grant Street). Free event. Phone: Hotline: (925) 671-3464.

Concordstock Guinness Record Night

Tuesday, July 1, 6:30 – 8 p.m. Featuring Country Joe McDonald. Help Concord set a new world record! Bring your guitar and join in as Concord attempts to set a new Guinness Book Record for the largest guitar ensemble by playing along with legendary Country Joe to "This land is your land."

Independence Day Parade and Entertainment in the Park

Friday, July 4. Parade starts at 12 p.m. starting at Willow Pass Rd. then turning on to Grant St. and Salvio St. An old fashioned festival with pancake breakfast, live music entertainment, and crafts. Featuring East Bay Mudd, Premier Horn-based Show Band and Desert Moon Band, Popular Local Country Band. 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. Todos Santos Plaza, Downtown Concord (Willow Pass Road at Grant Street). Free event. Hotline: (925) 671-3464.

ARTS

The Willows

"MuirFest 2008" at the John Muir Amphitheater, July 1-3. Featuring the Diablo Symphony Orchestra and a concert version of John Muir's Mountain Days, this is one celebration you won't want to miss.

"Annie Get Your Gun" at the John Muir Amphitheater, July 12-27. The beloved story of the famous sharpshooter Annie Oakley comes to life

on the stage. Performing week-ends, during the daytime, this show is the perfect place for a family picnic or a fun day in the summer sun.

"Sacagawea" playing indoors at the Alhambra Performing Arts Center, August 2-10. From the team that brought you John Muir's Mountain Days, this high-adventure musical follows the journey of Lewis & Clark, through the eyes of their Shoshone Indian guide, Sacagawea.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society @ Centre Concord

Monday, June 16 at 7:30 p.m. Bill Beiriger will present the program "The Sands of Time." Guests are always welcome! Meetings are held the second Monday of the month (except June). Please join us for this

Plant Sales at Markham Regional Arboretum Society

Saturday, June 14 and every Tuesday from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. In partnership with the City of Concord the Markham Nature Park and Arboretum is a unique educational sanctuary for the demonstration, collection, and preservation of trees and other plants. The 16-acre arboretum is a place of quiet beauty less than 20 blocks from downtown Concord.

Open daily from dawn to dusk. www.markhamarboretum.org. 1202 La Vista Avenue, Concord, 681-2968.

VFW distributes Buddy Poppies

Member of Clayton Valley's VFW Post 1525 will distribute "Buddy Poppies" on Friday and Saturday, June 6 & 7. Donation Stations will



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fascinating program. Information (925) 429-2748, (925) 779-0698. Website: <http://home.comcast.net/~contra-costamineralandgem/site/>. Centre Concord, 5298 Clayton Rd., Concord.

Personal Safety for Seniors

Thursday, June 12 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Concord Senior Center. Guest speakers will discuss personal and home safety for seniors. Each person will receive a free home safety related item. Limited space available. Register early. Concord Senior Center, 2727 Parkside Circle, Concord.

be located at the Clayton Station Safeway on Ygnacio and Clayton Road, and at the Lucky Supermarket located on Clayton Road and Alberta. All proceeds will benefit disabled, needy veterans and their immediate families.

Concord's Biggest Weight Loser

Weight Loss Challenge & Class. Lose weight and win money. Join the 12-week challenge for \$39. All the entry fees to be paid out in weekly prizes and cash for the biggest percentage of body weight lost. Wed. Jun. 4 7 p.m. To pre-register call (925) 685-2858

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