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Wistaria Festival Musical Line-up Announced

The entertainment for the March 30th Wistaria Festival has been announced. Café 322 is the entertainment sponsor for the event, which will feature eighteen acts performing at six outdoor venues.

The six venues are The Wistaria Vine, Memorial Park Bandshell, Charcuterie Stage, Jailhouse Inn Stage, Kersting Court Stage and Sabino Stage. Charcuterie is located at 120 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Jailhouse Inn Stage is at 55 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. across from the Bottle Shop, and Sabino Stage is located at 90 N. Baldwin Ave.

Returning to play at the Vine, from 9 to 11am and 1 to 3pm, is harpist Ron Longo. New to the Vine venue this year, but not to performing at Wistaria, is Ann Luke on the hammer dulcimer, performing from 11am to 1pm. Classical guitarist Michael Zubia has the late shift, performing from 3 to 5pm.

Performing in the bandshell at Memorial Park will be New Astroturf (acoustic folk) from 10:30am till noon, from noon till 1:30pm will be SGV music legend Snotty Scotty with the Brooks Brothers, followed by Horses on Astroturf performing rock standards till 3pm. The Veronica and Dad Band will take the stage from 3 till 3:30, and Sierra Madre favorites and Wistaria veterans Aluminum Marshmallow with the Age of Aquarius Horns will round out the day from 3:30 till 5pm. Also making an appearance at some point during the day will be the - Bethany School Children's Choir.

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The Charcuterie Stage will feature The Superstitions playing the blues from 11 to 2:30 pm, and Lightnin' Willie will return to Sierra Madre with his own blend of country and blues from 2:30 till 5.

At the Jailhouse Inn stage, Remember When will perform pop, rock and standards, and the Dulcimers of Dunlore will play, well, dulcimers. These two acts will perform on a rotating basis.

Kersting Court will feature performances by Barry Schwam on Theremin, and knowing Barry there will be some autoharp thrown in. Barry is up from 10 to 11am. From 11am to 12:15pm, enjoy the sounds of the PCC (classical) Guitar Ensemble. Jazz rounds out the Kersting Court Stage schedule, with The Downbeats playing from 12:30 till 2:30, and from 3 to 5pm, the Fuzzy Logic Boptet will step up to the mikes.

The Sabino Stage will be graced by blues artists Chico's Bail Bonds from 10:30 to 12:30. From 1 to 3pm, the Bennett Brandies Trio will jazz the audience, and the 3 to 5pm time slot will feature bluegrass musicians Wreck and Sow.

Strolling around the event will be another bluegrass act, Vin Fizz Flyer, and Jodie and the Minions will be performing classics throughout the downtown area.

Acts and performance times are subject to change without notice.