

State Line Music Series — El Pasoans Fighting Hunger and State Line Restaurant, 1222 Sunland Park Drive presents the outdoor concert series 8 to 10 p.m. Wednesdays. Admission is free; age 21 and older welcome. All customers asked to bring non-perishable food donation or monetary donation for El Pasoans Fighting Hunger. Information: 581-3371, WTxFoodBank.org

- **May 2:** Radio La Chusma
- **May 9:** Dusty Low
- **May 16:** Alice Wallace
- **May 23:** Zac Wilkerson
- **May 30:** Maddison Livingston
- **June 6:** Drugstore Gypsies.

Alfresco! Fridays — The 16th season of free outdoor summer concerts runs Fridays, **May 4-Aug. 24** at Convention Center Plaza. Presented by ElPasoLive.com and sponsored by FirstLight Federal Credit Union. No outside food or beverages, or pets allowed. Schedule to be announced. Information: 534-0600, alfrescofridays.com or on Facebook.

Howling Coyote Open Mic — The open mic event is 7 p.m. Friday, **May 4**, at Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main, on Las Cruces Downtown Main Street. Doors open for jam session at 6 p.m. Free admission to participants and audience. Information: Melody Burns (575) 525-9333 or bobandmelody@sbcglobal.net. Taco bar meal available 5:30 to 7 p.m. (suggested donation \$5).

La Parada — The monthly grassroots event celebrating local culture and lifestyles is the first Friday of the month at San Carlos Building, 501 Texas. The **May 4** "Fuego" event is 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. featuring Frontera Bugalú, Space Captains Collective, Soundmindsolutions Sms, Birth Defects and Gambol Music, with art by Randy Boogie. Information: 351-6023.

Women who Rock Cinco De Mayo — The 3rd annual musical celebrations are hosted by Alive Audio is 6 to 11 p.m. Saturday, **May 5** and **June 2**, and Sunday, **July 1**, at Painted Dunes Golf Course, 12000 McCombs, with live music from Carla Riojas, Steel Queen Band, Moonar, Sayverse and the Chamanas, as well as a performance from Sound Stage 9 students. Vendors, jumping balloons, food and drink offered. Admission is free; donations of feminine products and toiletries for the Reynolds Home will be taken. Information: 269-9919, 929-9055 (Reynolds Home) or on Facebook.



Jazz Unlimited Big Band — The band's 14th annual concert is 7 p.m. Sunday, **May 6**, at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 5005 Love Road. Guest vocalists, Cheryl Tomczuk and Andre Hunter join the band to present swing, Latin, rock and jazz tunes. Admission is free. Seating is limited. Information: 637-4569.

Cool Canyon Nights — The 8th annual series of free outdoor summer concerts are 6 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, **May 10-July 26** at McKelligon Canyon, Amphitheatre, sponsored by WestStar Bank. Patio performance begins at 6 p.m. with headliner at 7 p.m. Craft beers and food truck, vendors, photo booths and more also offered. Admission is free but space is limited. Information: 544-9550 or kisselpaso.com.

VIP tickets are \$10 at neonticket.com.

- **May 10:** Los Arrieros
- **May 18:** Soul Sacrifice
- **May 24:** Ooh Lala
- **May 31:** Bosse Band

Hard Road Trio — The bluegrass trio performs at 7:30 p.m. Friday, **May 11**, at DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Calle de Mercado, in Las Cruces. Tickets: \$20. Information: (575) 523-6403 or daarts.org.

Mother's Day Concert — El Paso Parks and Recreation host a Mother's Day performance 5 to 9 p.m. Sunday, **May 13**, at Eastwood (Album) Park, with live music Los Silver. Admission is free. Information: 212-0092 or elpasotexas.gov/parks.

Songwriter Workshop with Bob Einweck — PMAnne Luna hosts the workshop at 7 p.m. Wednesday, **May 16**, at 3051 Camino Real in Las Cruces. Einweck will share insights and ideas as well as input for songwriting in a master class format. Cost: \$40. Reservations: (575) 571-5298 or chrisclark-sanders@gmail.com.

'A Night in the 40s' — Paso Del Norte Big Band, a 17-piece group, hosts 1940s style dancing and music 8 to 11 p.m. Friday, **May 18** at Shundo Ballroom Dance Studio, 120 N. Paragon, Suite 201. BYOB, food and snacks. Admission: \$15. Information: 532-2043, 203-7292 or on Facebook at PDNbigband.

Las Cruces UkeFest 2018 — Ukulele enthusiasts will gather in southern New Mexico **May 18-20** at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Nationally known instructors will teach workshops, perform a concert and lead a jam session. Hosted by the Las Cruces Ukes. Festival registration: \$135; includes catered lunch. Concert only: \$15; or children's workshop only cost: \$10. Online registration at lascrucesukefest.com.

This year's featured performers are Craig Chee, Sarah Maisel, Mark Baker, Lil' Rev, and Rachel Manke. Concert is 7 p.m. Friday at NMSU's Atkinson Performing Arts Center.

Euterpe — A "Casa Concert" with the flamenco guitar and percussion group is 7:30 p.m. Saturday, **May 19**, at DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Calle de Mercado. This group from El Paso/Juarez recently played at the Las Cruces Arts Fair. Tickets: \$20 at the door or daarts.org.

Mesilla Valley Jazz and Blues Society — The society presents the Mesilla Valley Swing Band at its monthly concert series 7 p.m. Sunday, **May 20**, at First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo in Las Cruces. The music begins after a short business meeting. Admission: \$10 (\$5 members; \$1 students with ID). Coffee and dessert reception precedes the concert at 6:30 p.m. in the foyer. Information: Larry Brooks, (575) 640-8752 or mvjazzblues.net.

The band is directed by Dr. James Helder, performing tunes from the Great American Song Book.

Mayor's Jazz Fest — City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation's Music in the Park summer concert series opens with the annual jazz event at 6 p.m. Sunday, **May 27**, Plaza de Las Cruces on Main Street, featuring headliner Grace Kelly, saxophonist, singer and composer from Boston, along with Las Cruces' Oñate High School Jazz Workshop and El Paso's Side Effects Organ Trio. Admission is free; all ages welcome. No pets. Information: (575) 541-2550 or las-cruces.org.

'I Write The Songs' — Singing Out Las Cruces presents its spring concert at 7 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday, **June 2-3**, at Peace Lutheran Church, 1702 Missouri, Las Cruces, with songs composed and sung by Joan Baez, Carole King, Elton John, The Beatles, Stevie Wonder, Pink and more. A silent auction of original arts and crafts and gifts and refreshments offered at intermission. Admission is \$10; free for ages 12 and younger. Information: singingoutlascruces.org.

Proceeds from the event help defray expenses for the chorus to sing at GALA (Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses) International's 2020 Festival in Minneapolis, Minn.

Also

Speaking Rock Entertainment Center

— 122 S. Pueblo Rd. Age 18 and older welcome. Mariachi music featured 1 to 5 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 6 p.m. Sundays. Admission is usually free. Information: 860-7777 or speakingrock.com.

Check website for schedule of tribute bands.

- Latin pop artists Jesse & Joy perform at 7 p.m. Saturday, **May 5**. All ages show.
- Rock band Escape the Fate performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, **May 19**.

Zin Valle Free Music Sundays — Zin Valle vineyard, 7315 Hwy 28 in Canutillo (3/4 mile north of FM 259), hosts free live music 1 to 4 p.m. on selected Sundays. Guests may also enjoy wine tastings. Bring a picnic. Information: 877-4544 or zinvalle.com.

- **May 6:** Julio Ortiz
- **May 13:** Benny Basset
- **May 27:** Dusty Low.

Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino — The racetrack and casino, 1200 Futurity Dr. (at Sunland Park Drive), Sunland Park, N.M. offers live entertainment at on select dates. No cover. Information: (575) 874-5200 or Sunland-Park.com/entertainment.

Free live music is 9 p.m. Fridays, featuring Latin and regional music; and Saturdays featuring rock and pop variety, and tribute artists. Mariachi music is 5 p.m. Sundays.

A "Serenata Para Mama" Mother's Day celebration with mariachi and a Juan Gabriel tribute are 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, **May 13**, in the Turf Club. Tickets: \$25 (\$12 age 3-12).



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