

# *Gardens of the World*

## **News Release**

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#### **GARDENS OF THE WORLD CONCERT SERIES CLOSES AUGUST 26**

(Thousand Oaks, CA) The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Jazz Concert Series at the Gardens of the World concludes August 26 with the versatile Bruce Lofgren Jazz Orchestra. Lofgren, guitarist, composer, and recording artist, brings his unique and compelling style to multiple music genres, including Latin, New Age, Jazz, Blues, Classical, and Pop.

The free concert will run from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m., with lawn seating available in front of the Gardens of the World American Bandstand. Blankets, lawn chairs, and picnic baskets are welcome; however, smoking, glass containers, alcohol, and pets are not allowed.

Lofgren began his career in the sixties and has written well over 700 compositions, many of which have been recorded by his orchestra and such icons as Doc Severinson's orchestra from The Tonight Show, The Osmonds, Loggins and Messina, Donna Summer, and the Buddy Rich Orchestra. His orchestra also performs live throughout the country and they have played at such venues as the Playboy Jazz Festival and numerous jazz and dinner clubs.

The Gardens of the World is located at 2001 Thousand Oaks Boulevard, across from the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Center. Free parking is available along the street. Parking for a fee may be available across the street at the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Center.

For additional information or sponsorship opportunities, call 805-557-1135 or visit the Gardens of the World website at [www.gardensoftheworld.info](http://www.gardensoftheworld.info).

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**About the Gardens of the World:** The Gardens of the World is a 4.5-acre cultural garden open to the public and located across the street from the Thousand Oaks Civic Center on Thousand Oaks Boulevard. The authentically-landscaped Gardens commemorate various cultures of the world, including Italian, French, Japanese, and English. There is also a California Mission Courtyard, an American Bandstand free summer jazz concerts, and the Resource Center, where local artists can exhibit their works. The Gardens of the World is owned and operated by the Hogan Family Foundation. Admission is free. Reservations are required for Docent tours and any group visit. For more information, visit [www.gardensoftheworld.info](http://www.gardensoftheworld.info).