

News Release

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BOYD CANNON BIG BAND EXPLOSION BLASTS OFF AT GARDENS

(Thousand Oaks, CA) The Gardens of the World, located across from the Thousand Oaks Civic Center, is hosting its 10th Annual Summer Jazz Concert Series with a rousing kick-off performance featuring the Boyd Cannon Big Band Explosion August 5. This year's "Big Band Extravaganza" brings some of country's top groups to the Gardens of the World in free concerts running every Sunday.

First up is the Boyd Cannon Big Band Explosion with special guest vocalist Bonnie Bowden August 5. The 16-piece orchestra features some of the finest musicians in the Los Angeles area playing some of the most popular big band compositions, along with their own tunes.

The Pat Longo Orchestra will perform August 12, the Late Nite Big Band will take the stage August 19, and the Bruce Lofgren Jazz Orchestra will do the summer send-off August 26.

The free concerts 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.

The Gardens of the World is located at 2001 Thousand Oaks Boulevard. Free parking is available along the street. Parking for a fee is 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.

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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.



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