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GARDENS OF THE WORLD HOSTS PAT LONGO'S BIG BAND SOUNDS

(Thousand Oaks, CA) Pat Longo's Hollywood Big Band will heat up the Gardens of the World in Thousand Oaks August 12, as part of the Garden's 10th Annual Summer Jazz Concert Series. The free concert is the second of the "Big Band Extravaganza" series, which aptly describes Longo's versatile, timeless style.

Longo's band features the talents of vocalist Nancy Osborne and some of Hollywood's finest musicians performing a variety of styles that recall the days when big bands were in full swing. In fact, Longo was a key member of the famous Harry James Orchestra and he has been performing and recording for over 30 years in concerts nationwide.

The remainder of the "Big Band Extravaganza" season at the Gardens of the World, across from the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza, features The Late Nite Big Band August 19 and the Bruce Lofgren Jazz Orchestra 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 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.

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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.