



## News Release

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### **Save the date for Arts Alive Festival May 5-6**

Celebrate Mission Viejo's artistic creativity and rich cultural arts at the sixth annual Arts Alive Festival Saturday and Sunday May 5-6 on the Village Green at Oso Viejo Park.

This extraordinary festival provides a unique opportunity for the community to experience art in its many forms. Here is a just a taste of some of the featured events:

- Street Painting – more than 80 artists begin on Saturday at noon to create works of art.
- Art workshops for adults and children to participate in the creation of the City's Oso bear mosaic community art project.
- Animated film creation demonstrated by Dreamworks Animation Director Steve Hickner. His credits include ANTZ, Over the HEDGE and Shark Tale.
- Live art creation by Scooby Doo and Flintstones animator Bob Singer.
- Music throughout the day featuring the best of Cuban music, rockabilly, mariachi, 50s rock and Elvis!
- New this year, music and art under the stars. The tribute bands for the Platters and the Drifters will play Saturday evening while you enjoy art, artisan works and the California wine and beer garden.
- As part of the festival's 1950s theme, try your hand at paint by numbers, get a photo with Elvis, see an overview of the music of the 1950s and don't forget to Hula Hoop.
- Demonstration gardens will be on display to help you create a vertical wall garden, "Moon" garden and enliven your small space.
- Sustainable art made from recycled materials will also be on display, including art created by teens.
- Children and teen design winners for new Mission Viejo Library cards will be presented by Bob Singer.
- No need to pack a lunch or dinner, as food trucks and vendors will be on hand with an array of tasty fare.

The fun-filled festival is from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5 and from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 6 at Oso Viejo Park and the Norman P. Murray Community and Senior Center, 24932 Veterans Way.

City staff, volunteers and schools are involved in bringing noted artists and musicians together for a fun weekend event. So be sure to mark your calendar for a fabulous and fun festival you won't soon forget.

For more information, e-mail [artsalive@cityofmissionviejo.org](mailto:artsalive@cityofmissionviejo.org) or visit <http://cityofmissionviejo.org/artsalivefestival/>. To see a sneak peak of the color, excitement and fun on tap for this year's Arts Alive, visit Arts Alive 2012 Preview.

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