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Making a Difference Through Music

Music is an essential part of almost every event and
The Monterey County Pops!
celebrates the moment.

ALL CONCERTS ARE FREE !!!

2024 Calendar

Concerts

- ❖ September 2 – Labor Day, Seaside

Concerts are Live Streamed on
Amp Chanel 24 and on our website at
www.montereycountypops.org

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Elementary School Programs featuring
Peter and the Wolf in the a.m. and
Residency School Programs for middle and
high schools with clinics from 1 to 6 p.m. then
FREE public "side-by-side" concert at 6:30 p.m.

- ❖ September 18 – Rancho San Juan
High School, Salinas
- ❖ October 10 – Gonzales High School
- ❖ October 30 – Alvarez High School,
Salinas
- ❖ November 8 – King City High School

The public is invited to attend and give your
support to the students and our orchestra!!!

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Music for Seniors
New opportunities are being scheduled.
Stay tuned....

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**MONTEREY COUNTY POPS! ORCHESTRA
REACHES ALL AGES...**

GREENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL RESIDENCY

"I had to take a day and really reflect on how important the Pops outreach concert was to my student population and the community at large. Yesterday I took the day to debrief with my students about their participation in the concert by writing a reflection. I asked students to write one thing they learned and one thing they liked or enjoyed about the concert.



For me I learned that music has the power to inspire, and change lives no matter what style or genre. Even though my students didn't necessarily voice that in their reflections I could see the difference, and the change of perspective. With the expertise of the Pops my students now know the possibilities of their instrument. They gained a valuable perspective that is not seen or accessible in Greenfield.

My mission has always been to use the high school as a place for the community to celebrate their students and their culture. The Pops does such a great job of programming music that's relatable to the community. I was very happy to see audience members singing along with De Colores. It was then that I realized we did what we intended to do.

Please extend my deepest gratitude to the organization for continuing to motivate and teach the next generation of musicians and musical citizens. I think my students learned a lot from the experience of being around such topflight musicians and educators. Bravo!!"

Matt Hout, Greenfield High School Band Director

MEMORIAL DAY – TO REMEMBER AND HONOR

The Monterey County Pops! Memorial Day concert honored and saluted all those who have served and sacrificed for their country. The day started with *The Latin Jazz Collective* with John Nava featuring their Afro-Cuban Latin Jazz. Jorge Torrez, choir director at Santa Cruz High School, Aptos High School, and the Unitarian Universalist Church of the Monterey Peninsula was our featured soloist.



During a heartfelt musical salute to all the military services, we ask that all who serve, served, or had a family member who served or are currently in the military to stand and be recognized. I'm giving shout out to John Proud, a WWII vet who served on the USS Nevada and is a proud Navy guy!!!



THE MUSIC CONTINUED ON THE 4TH OF JULY

The always inspiring *Monterey Peninsula Community Gospel Choir*, under the direction of John Nash, had the crowd “rocking” with them!!! Devendorf Park was filled with guests delighting in The Monterey County Pops! Orchestra’s pops and patriotic music.



COMING SOON...

Save the date for September 2, 2024, for our free, live Labor Day Concert in Seaside on the lawn of City Hall. More details later.

PATRONS OF THE POPS

If you were one of our valued Patrons of the Pops! members, you would have enjoyed our two “thank you” member events. Visit our website and consider joining!!!



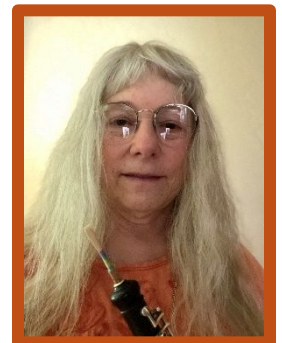
Memorial Day at The House of Four Winds (Monterey Civic Club) across from Colton Hall, Monterey.



July 4 on the patio of Vesuvio’s in Carmel after a free, live concert in Devendorf Park, Carmel.

MEET THE MUSICIANS...

Carol Panofsky, oboe, has played off and on with Monterey County Pops! since its inception. She is currently involved with MCP! Wind Ensemble is playing Peter and the Wolf in county schools. Ms. Panofsky is Theory Director of the Ragazzi Boys Chorus and maintains a busy schedule teaching oboe, piano, and music theory privately. She created and organized Munching With Mozart, a series of monthly, free chamber music concerts for the Santa Cruz Public Libraries.



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