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FRIDAY, 6 JUNE 2025

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MENIFEE'S GOT TALENT VARIETY SHOW

LOCATION

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Arts Council Meniffee warmly invites you to an unforgettable evening of music and dance. Relax and enjoy a showcase of exceptional talent—featuring some of the finest singers, dancers, and musicians who live, work, or study in and around Meniffee.

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Dr. Greenberg returns as our Master of Ceremonies. As a member of the Arts Council Meniffee Board of Trustees and President of the Meniffee Valley Community Cupboard he is a very active volunteer and generous supporter of many organizations throughout the southwest Riverside community.

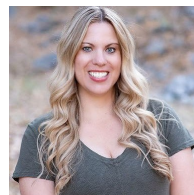
If you plan to photograph or video any of tonight's performances, please understand that flash and lights are NOT permitted.

The Arts Council Meniffee thanks the Drama Club of Liberty High for providing photography, lighting, sound, stage management and a video of tonight's show. ACM will provide a link for downloading at a later time.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

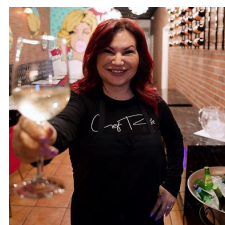
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Artist Spotlight is a special recognition awarded by Arts Council Meniffee to an individual or group that consistently goes above and beyond in promoting and sharing the arts throughout Meniffee and its surrounding communities. This honor celebrates contributions across a wide range of disciplines, including visual arts, theater, literature, culinary arts, dance, music, and more. In addition, Arts Council Meniffee acknowledges those who champion the arts through advocacy, influence, and ongoing in-kind or financial support. *You can learn more about these artists and past recipients at www.artscouncilmeniffee.org/spotlight*



CHRISTY SIMPSON ACM proudly spotlights Christy Simpson for her unwavering dedication to promoting theatre arts and inspiring students in music and acting. She is the Choir Director and Drama Teacher at Meniffee Valley Middle School where she leads the MVMS Vocal and Theatrical Arts program.

CYNTHIA NEMELKA became an Ambassador of the Arts Spotlight when she created a platform for performing artists, culinary artists, and visual artists, as well as an inclusive social gathering place for local seniors to participate in dance and other activities.



CHEF ROSIE O'CONNOR from Provecho Grill to Lady R Bistro, Rosie is an icon in our city. A restaurateur, amazing mom, free spirit and avid storyteller is known for sharing her passion for travel, food and culinary education.

FRANKI & LARRY TORRES are the honorees of the Ambassador of the Arts Spotlight for their tireless efforts and contributions to many of our signature events. With their technical, organizational and people skills they help insure a smooth production for all involved.



BOB KARWIN is currently a City Councilmember, personal injury lawyer, singer/songwriter, musician, repeat MGT performer, MC for several non-profit charity events, announcer for high school sports events and continues to support the Arts everywhere he goes.

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TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

Preshow entertainment

Barbara Shawcroft (piano) -- "St Louis Blues" & "Georgia on my Mind"

1. Doug Bush (singer)-----"Born to be Wild" by Steppenwolf
2. Saqueen Ghimire (singer) -----"Speechless" from Aladdin
3. Ray Carpenter (singer/guitar)-----"Coyote" by Bob McDill
4. Nidhisri Peddikuppa (Indian dance) -----"Trandava Nrityakari"
5. Audrey Klistoff (singer) ----- "Popular" from Wicked
6. Sabrina Sherry (singer) ----- "Tattooed Heart" by Ariana Grande
7. Ballet Folklorico (dancers)-----"Tres con Todo" by Osvaldo Farres
8. Echo of Red (singer/sax)-----"Autum Leaves" Eva Cassidy version
9. Eddie Collins (singer) -----"After The Lovin" by Alan Bernstein
10. Shaunie Duncan (rapper/guitar)----"Undertow" by Shaunie Duncan
11. Joey Mercardo (ventriloquist)---"Unforgettable" by Irving Gordon
12. Twisted Treez (flute/guitar) -----Native American music

***** TEN MINUTE INTERMISSION *****

13. Kaylee Machado (dancer) -----"Killer" by Phoebe Bridgers
14. Izzy Machado (singer) --"Hopelessly Devoted To You" from Grease
15. Bob Karwin (singer/guitar) -----"Trinity" by Bob Karwin
16. Naomi Estrada (singer) -----"Lithium" by Kurt Cobain
17. Just Dancing Only (dancers) --"Boots On The Ground" by 803Fresh
18. Eliana Perez (singer) --"Part Of Your World" from Little Mermaid
19. Nonie Hilgeson/Dr. Dan (singer/piano) --"Feelin Good" by Newley/ Bricusse
20. Greg Ramirez (singer) --"You Belong To My Heart" by Ray Gilbert
21. Josep Borrel (singer/guitar) -----"Starman" by David Bowie
22. Strings of Serenity (classical jazz) -----"Song of the Ancients"
23. Jim Laurienti (singer) -----"My Way" Frank Sinatra version

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Arts Council Menifee thanks Liberty High School Theater Program Director, Chelsea Dove, for her knowledge and enthusiastic cooperation in the planning and facilitation of this year's Menifee's Got Talent.

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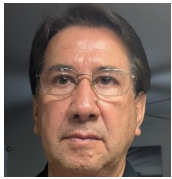
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Arts Council Menifee thanks Doug Spoon, owner/editor for Menifee 24/7, for their continued support of the Arts in Menifee and bringing media attention to Arts Council Menifee throughout the year.

Arts Council Menifee thanks the Perris Union High School District, Superintendent Dr. Jose Luis Araux, and Principal Dr. Erika Tejeda for their support of the Arts and allowing Arts Council Menifee use of their facilities at Liberty High School.



ELIANA PEREZ I am 15 years old. I'm Cuban and Mexican. I love singing, acting, and dancing and my favorite color is purple. I love hanging out with family and friends and of course my dog, Scooby.



GREG RAMIREZ After many years playing my guitar and singing in restaurant and coffee shops in Guadalajara and Puerto Vallarta I decided to move to California and formed a Latin American folk music band with 3 other members playing mainly for events in colleges and theatres. After my wife passed I decided not to play or sing anymore, but recently being retired and in order to meet people in my new neighborhood, I restarted my new life with music again.



BARBARA SHAWCROFT Piano is a peaceful and calming instrument for me. Music is melodic and far reaching. It comes from the heart and puts smiles on our faces. After the loss of my husband, music became my church and continues to be my refuge. A place of healing and joy!



SABRINA SHERRY I'm a singer and my vocal coach's name is Camryn Friday and I have been working on this song because singing is my passion that I'm so excited to share.



STRINGS OF SERENITY Ezekiel Rivera, Hector Martinez, and Victor Juarez perform as a Classical Guitar Trio. We are members of the Moreno Valley Guitar Ensemble. Through harmony, rhythm, and expression, we bring the classical guitar to life. Our performance reflects both our individual artistry and connection as musicians.



TWISTED TREEZ After being friends for years, White Feather and Cliff Krites collaborated musical styles and formed Twisted Treez. Cliff plays base and acoustic guitar. White Feather plays the Native American wood chimes. We performed for the Chief from Pechanga and interviewed for Pala radio. Our music currently streams on Spotify, itunes and Youtube. We also host a drum circle at the Center of Spiritual Healing in Menifee once a month.



JOSEP BORREL A son of California. A modern day folk singer. A man with a guitar.



DOUG BUSH I always wanted to express my singing into songs to achieve power, strength, to make you wanna be alive, and do something.



RAY CARPENTER A native Coloradoan, I was exposed to a vast cross-section of music from Gospel, to Classical, to Country. I started playing the trumpet in the 4th grade and eventually turned my attention to guitar, country music, and in particular, "Sure-nuff Cowboy Music." I dedicate my music to the recapturing and preserving the spirit of the Old West by singing old and new "Cowboy" songs. I sing out of love and respect for the genre of Country and Western, and in particular, "Cowboy Music."



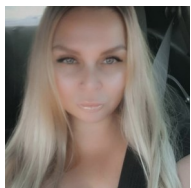
EDDIE COLLINS I've always loved music and sang when I was young. I stopped singing to embark on a career working with and coaching at-risk youths until 2013. Soon after that I started singing with my brother and then broadened my talents as a solo artist. I now love to sing and perform at numerous types of venues.



SHAUNIE DUNCAN I'm a Christian musician whose music is bold and authentic. My mission is simple but powerful: to glorify Jesus and uplift others through music that breaks barriers and gives hope. I aim to be a vessel of light in a world that desperately needs it. My passion for storytelling, authenticity, and truth fuels my journey as an artist.



ECHO OF RED, ANDREA & MONICA CARLI Just an American girl and an Italian boy who love music!



NAOMI ESTRADA I have been singing since age 4. I live and work in Menifee and love art, music, theater, dance and volunteering in my community. I am a proud moose lodge member of Quail Valley 2228 and enjoy dedicating my time as a volunteer bartender and organizing fundraisers. I am a 13 year employee of Texas Roadhouse where I am proud to say serve our residents and veterans.



SAQUEEN GHIMIRE I'm a 15-year-old singer enrolled at the California School of the Arts, I have captivated audiences with my powerful voice and stage presence. I first performed in Menifee Got Talent in 2019 and have since earned recognition for my artistry and passion for music.



BALLET FOLKLORICO Primary Instructor and choreographer, Lorena Hancock, was born and raised in Mexico and become an educator. Now teaching Ballet Folklórico in southern Riverside County, these Folklórico groups have performed in cultural events across California in celebration of Hispanic Heritage.



NONIE HILGESON & DR. DAN I'm 76 years young and have lived in the Menifee/ Murrieta area for 46 years. I've taught thousands of students, primarily focusing on vocal coaching and teaching ukelele and guitar. I enjoy performing whenever the opportunity arrives! I will be accompanied by Dr Dan Friedlich, a talented pianist and neurosurgeon.



JUST DANCING ONLY We are seniors line dancing for healthy life/living! Come and join us at the Kay Cenicerros Senior Center here in Menifee.



BOB KARWIN I have played in the Caribbean, Mexico, Ireland, and every corner of the U.S. I've played with several members of Jimmy Buffett's band, The Coral Reefers, and opened for Barenaked Ladies. I've recorded 9 albums of original music and a former Trop Rock Music Association Entertainer of the Year and Temecula Valley Music Association Acoustic Artist of the Year. More at www.bobkarwin.com.



AUDREY KLISTOFF I am 9 years old. I take dance, musical theater, performance, and singing classes 3 days a week because I love to sing, dance and perform so much!



JIM LAURIENTI I'm a classically trained tenor who sings both classical and popular music. I enjoy performing with local musical choirs and karaoke sessions in the area.



IZZY MACHADO I'm an aspiring performer and actor who strives to be on Broadway Thanks to my friends, family, and teachers for the support they have given me along the way.



KAYLEE MACHADO I'm so excited to be a part of 2025 Menifee's Got Talent. I'm on my school's Varsity dance team, and will be performing a contemporary solo. I want to thank my parents, grandparents, friends, and coach for getting me here. I also want to thank my close friend, Addi, who was going to perform as a duet tonight, but sadly got injured. Thank you Addi for your contributions to the dance!!



JOEY MERCARDO I perform at school assemblies, kids' parties, special occasions through my company "Joey 'n Friends". I'm also a line dance instructor, comedienne and MC.



NIDHISRI PEDDIKUPPA I am studying 4th grade in Evans Ranch Elementary school, Menifee. I'm an Indian Classical dancer and have been learning and performing this art for the past 5 years. My hobbies are drawing, playing tennis and chess.