

Historic Hemet Theatre

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TRIBUTE TO LED ZEPPELIN TOPS THE CHARTS AT HHT

Last Saturday's Tribute to Led Zeppelin at the Historic Hemet Theatre was a record breaker. The event was the most successful concert to date, raising over \$11k for the Foundation. And judging from the rave reviews of the audience, the show was one of the best concerts so far.

At times the dance floor looked more like a mosh pit, with most fans just standing at the foot of the stage to watch the performance unfold. Lead Singer Swan Montgomery was masterful in his recreation of the look and the sound of Robert Plant. The guitar performance by Anthony David was stunning to watch. With every song the cheering and applause was nearly deafening.

It was the first time that Led Zepagain had performed their world-renowned tribute in our valley. But even before they arrived, they had heard rumors about the charming old movie house with amazing acoustics and enthusiastic fans. By the time they completed their sound check, the band members had already fallen under the spell of our valley landmark. "There is something magical here in this place," said Montgomery. By the end of the evening, the spell was complete and more tales of the best kept secret in Southern California were spreading.

But the band members were not the only ones to fall for the charms of the place. When asked how many were there for the first time, a record number of audience members raised their hands. At the end of the show, new fans were lining up to purchase their next set of tickets. As word has traveled, a growing number of patrons are coming from San Diego, Orange County, Los Angeles, Palm Springs and beyond. One man from San Diego declared, "This is totally worth the drive! We can't wait to come back!"

Next up on the Tribute Mania schedule is a Tribute to The Who featuring Who'sNext on Saturday June 9th at 7 pm. The group first performed here last year in a 2-band concert with a Tribute to Heart by Dog & Butterfly. But it was Who'sNext that stole the show, becoming one of the theatre's most requested groups. Meanwhile, the band was so impressed with the venue and the fans that they offered to return and donate half of their fee to the Foundation. Who'sNext is the most realistic, energetic and entertaining tribute to one of the greatest rock bands in history.

Tickets for the Tribute to The Who are selling fast and are likely to be gone before day of show.

HHT also features classic films for just \$5 every Monday and Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm. Coming up on Monday June 4th, Nancy Drew... Reporter (1936) starring Bonita Granville, John Litel, and Frankie Thomas, and on Tuesday June 5th, Carnival of Souls (1962) starring Candace Hilligoss, and Frances Feist, Sidney Berger.

Information on all theatre events is available at www.HistoricHemetTheatre.com or by calling the ticket office, (951) 658-5950. A weekly email blast of upcoming events is available by enrolling on the website.

Event tickets are available online at www.PurplePass.com or at the theatre ticket office. Ticket

Office hours are Monday thru Friday 11 am to 6 pm. Tickets are also available at the Downtown Deli, 113 N Harvard St and the Harvard Street Music Exchange, 134 S Harvard St.