

Historic Hemet Theatre

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TRIBUTE TO EAGLES ANOTHER SELL OUT FOR HHT

The Historic Hemet Theatre has announced that a full three weeks ahead, the Tribute to the Eagles for Saturday August 4th has sold out. Although HHT has hosted 11 sold out concerts in the past 12 months, this is the first time a show has filled more than a week before the event.

This will be the fourth visit to HHT for the L.A. based band, Desperado. The band has a reputation for flawlessly reproducing the music and vocals of the Eagles. Fans will be able to close their eyes and travel back in time to the 1970's with such hits as "Take It Easy," "Witchy Woman," "Peaceful Easy Feeling," "Tequila Sunrise," "Already Gone," "One of These Nights" and so many more.

Desperado consists of founding member Aaron Broering, who played with Eagles guitarist Don Felder, and Eagles co-writer J.D. Souther, Drummer and percussionist Kevin O'Connell, Bassist Chris Farmer who was former musical director of the Beach Boys, and Bassist for Eagle Timothy B. Schmit, Guitarist Ricky Lewis, and vocalist, guitarist and keyboardist Kerry Chester.

Meanwhile, HHT completed its 2017-2018 fiscal year last month, closing the books on an exciting year for the valley's acclaimed Community Arts Center. During its sixth year of operations, HHT hosted 134 events including 20 shows in their popular Tribute Mania Concert Series. More than a dozen local organizations used the theatre to raise money or host free programs for the community. Over 100 local residents volunteered their time to staff the shows and maintain the facility.

In March, the Foundation completed the purchase of the old movie house and began the extensive process of renovating the 97 year-old venue. Auditorium seats have been replaced with plush seats donated by the Academy Theatre in North Hollywood. Volunteers are working to install updated surround-sound speakers and projection equipment. The lobby is receiving a much-needed paint job and new carpeting. Future plans include a long list of improvements, including a new A/C system, updated restrooms and an improved green room for performers. Eventually the Foundation hopes to replace the marquee with a pointed version similar to the one on the front of the theatre in the 40's and 50's.

HHT's Century Club has raised over \$100k for the renovation project. Sponsorships and gift basket for concert raffles provide additional support from local residents and businesses.

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.