

Historic Hemet Theatre

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TRIBUTE TO FRANKIE VALLEY IS LATEST SELLOUT AT HHT

Valley music fans packed the house once again at the Historic Hemet Theatre for a Tribute to Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons on Saturday April 6th. DECEMBER '63 has performed in the valley at the Ramona Bowl and at Golden Village Palms Resort, but this was their first appearance downtown at Hemet's Community Arts Center.

The four-part harmonies performed by Nick Davies, Nicholas Gallardo, Michael B. Williams, and Miguel Jackson were pitch-perfect, drawing thunderous applause with every classic tune. The synchronized choreography was stunning, as was the series of sequined jackets that cycled through the performance. But it was the audience banter that really captured the audience. Lines that have been spoken hundreds of times, delivered with spontaneity and perfect timing, leaving the audience howling with laughter.

At one point, lead singer Davies pulled local resident Sydney Lodge from the dance floor where she was caught in a battle of serenades by two of the band members as her husband Tom watched from below. The theatre's photographer Pam Flumerfelt captured the scene, along with dozens of shots posted to the HHT Facebook page. Videos from the night include an incredible acapella version of "Silence is Golden."

Next up on the HHT calendar is a tribute to Elvis Presley on Friday April 12th and a tribute to The Doors on April 27th. That will bring to a close Season One of the Tribute Mania Concert Series. Season Two will begin next month with tributes to Bon Jovi (5/11), The Allman Brothers (5/25), Bob Seger (6/8), Santana (6/22), Led Zeppelin (7/6), Aerosmith (7/20), REO Speedwagon (8/3), and Tom Petty (8/17).

Other concerts in the Friday Nite Live series include tributes to Creedence Clearwater Revival (5/31), and Johnny Cash (6/14).

Tickets for Tribute Mania and Friday Nite Live shows are \$22 presale / \$25 day of show. Showtime is 7:00 pm, with doors open at 6:15 pm. Information on all theatre events is available at www.HistoricHemetTheatre.com or by calling the ticket office, (951) 658-5950.