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## CONCERTS ON THE WATEFRONT AT THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES



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**SAN PEDRO, CA** - The Board of Harbor Commissioners today unanimously agreed to bring music to the Port of Los Angeles over the Labor Day weekend by sponsoring Concerts on the Waterfront. Billed as classic rock and roll and jazz concerts, several thousand people are expected to attend the three-day event from Friday, August 30, through Sunday, September 1, 2003.

"I am very excited that such an energizing event is being brought to the Port of Los Angeles," stated Mayor James Hahn. "The concert-goers will find out first-hand what San Pedro has to offer: excellent restaurants, shops, galleries and a front row seat to the workings of one of the nation's largest ports."

"What a great spot for an outdoor concert," said Councilwoman Janice Hahn.

"Our waterfront can serve as so much more than just a venue for commerce, it can also serve as the perfect setting for culture and entertainment, and I look forward to welcoming the thousands of people who will find their way to our Harbor for this unique opportunity."

Concerts on the Waterfront will be coordinated by the same promoter who puts on the Port's annual Lobster Festival, Jim Hall of International Lobster Festivals, Inc. Hall said, "There is no place like this on the West Coast. This is truly a unique experience for the music lovers of Southern California."

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"We see these concerts as a sneak preview of the exciting things to come for the Port area," said Harbor Commission President Nicholas Tonsich. "We are in the process of designing a dynamic, vibrant waterfront promenade, and this is the first of many new community events which will take place along the Port's water."

The actual concert lineup will be announced in coming months along with specific location and times.

Concerts on the Waterfront is one of a series of community events sponsored by the Port of Los Angeles. Other events include the Lobster Festival, the Festival of Sail, World Trade Week Free Harbor Cruises, and many other smaller events occurring throughout the year.

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