Multicultural Festival

Saturday, January 16th, 2016 – 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Chandler Fashion Center Mall – 311 W Chandler Blvd

OUTDOOR Stage

(Located by the Valet at Chandler Village)

11:00am……Naturalization Ceremony

Returning this year will be a special Naturalization Ceremony conducted by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). 200 people from different countries around the world will become American Citizens.

12:00pm …… C4 & Desert Sounds

Desert Sounds, a Chandler based 501 © 3 nonprofit, is proud to present Mariachi Sones Del Desierto. This multi-level K-12 Mariachi Education Program is directed by Chris Donlon. These students have performed at many premier locations around the Valley, including the Herberger Theater, The Musical Instrument Museum, The Phoenix Zoo, Tempe Center for the Arts, Mesa City Council, the Arizona Opera and most recently at the Desert Botanical Gardens.

www.desertsounds.org

The **Chandler Community Celebration Choir (C4)** is a community-oriented choir comprised of folks ages 22 and above, with a varying range of singing experience, from extensive to only shower singing. We have already appeared with the Chandler Symphony Orchestra, the Chandler Unity Festival and at Faith Community Church in concert.

This choir is comprised of different churches around the area. Each person has their own and church choir they sing. They perform with this choir to understand other ways to praise God. This is another way to celebrate Christ.

12:15pm ……. Jam Pak Blues ‘N’ Grass Neighborhood Band

Jam Pak Blues 'N' Grass Neighborhood Band (A Music CommUNITY) started with six little kids in the front yard of Anni and Vincent Beach's Chandler home in 1994. The bandis featured at many bluegrass festivals and other community events in Arizona. Somehow, some way, enfolded in the love of music, community, food, travel, and love itself, this unique band of all ages, races, and walks of life makes bluegrass music. The central goal is and has always been "to make ourselves and others happy with our music"
www.jampak.com

12:35pm …… Chandler High Polynesian Dancers

Tausala Productions was founded in 1998 by Oliva & Fina Schwenke in Tempe, Arizona to preserve & perpetuate the cultures of the South Pacific. Today, we have grown into the largest Polynesian dance school in the state of Arizona.
Tausala Productions is a full service Polynesian entertainment company. Since 1998 Tausala has been the premier Polynesian revue in the Phoenix metropolitan area.

12:50pm …… Indigenous Enterprise

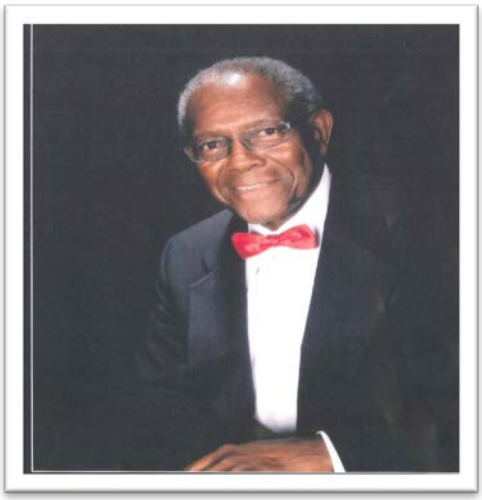
Indigenous Enterprise with dancers and singers ranging from various parts of the United States, we are proud to represent many tribes and Nations to show our proud tradition and culture through powwow dancing.

Our mission is to send a positive message through song and dance. We want the world to forget about the Negative stereotypes displayed about Native Americans.

1:20pm …….. Delbert Silas – Hopi Storyteller

1:30pm …….. The Posse – Gospel Choir

2:00pm ……. Jesse Washington



Jesse Washington and his wife, Delores, have been Arizona residents in Sun Lakes, Arizona for 10 years. The former California resident has sung in various venues including musical theatre, the San Francisco Opera Company, church choirs and church soloist, pageants and patriotic celebrations. He is a regular in the Annual City of Chandler "Spice of Life" variety show along with show in Sun Bird and Sun Lakes.

In addition to music, Jesse enjoys playing Senior Slow Pitch Softball in Sun Lakes and traveling with his wife, Delores. They especially enjoy cruising and spending time with their six grandchildren.

2:10pm ……. AXE Capoeira

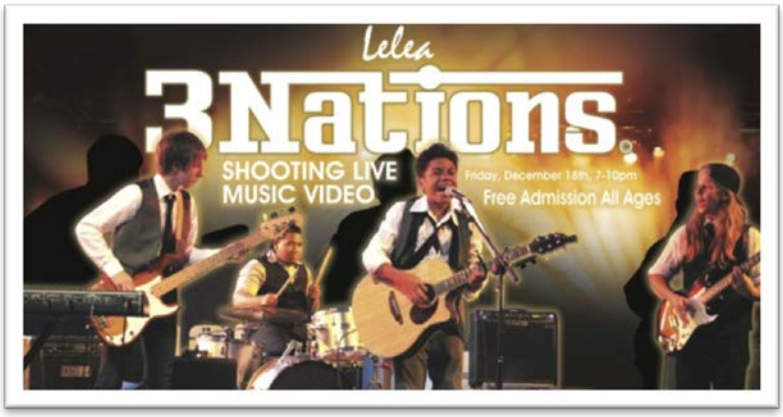
Grupo **Axé Capoeira** of Arizona is well known throughout the state for laboring tirelessly to share the cultural richness of capoeira, sharing a positive message of respect, diversity and community. Capoeira is a dynamic sport that combines elements of dance, acrobatics and self-defense. Grupo Axé Capoeira Arizona has conducted countless workshops, performances, and residency programs for Arizona elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, corporations, sport teams, churches and charity organizations

2:40pm ……. Creative Expression Competition Winners

The winners of our City of Chandler Creative Expression Competition Winners will be performing on our stage. They are students living or attending schools in Chandler.

2:55pm ……. Lelea and the 3Nations

Lelea and the 3Nations is a band that was formed by Lelea Fonua in August 2014. The band was initially put together for a benefit concert held by Teen Lifeline and guest of honor Jordin Sparks. Lelea held auditions at Alice Cooper's charity teen center where almost 30 talented teenage musicians and singers tried out. Only the best of the best was selected to make the band. Lelea and the 3Nations perform a wide variety of music including funk, soul, jazz, pop, rock, gospel and reggae.



www.facebook.com/Lelea-and-the-3Nations
www.alicecoopersolidrock.com

3:20pm ……. DJ

3:35pm ……. Si Se Puede Ballet Folklorico

The **Si Se Puede Folklorico** Team is committed to providing a free dance program for children of the Chandler Unified School District. The team is composed of children ages 5 and up who want nothing more than to learn about the beautiful Mexican culture and traditions. Children are taught Bailes (dances) from the regions of Veracruz, Jalisco, Sinaloa, Baja California, Nuevo Leon and others. As part of the Si Se Puede Foundation, we strive to teach everyone the importance of teamwork, dedication, respect, and kindness through the art of folklorico dance.