

Bring Your Family to Mira Mesa Street Fair 2016!

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Enjoy entertainment on two stages, a carnival, children's activities, and a variety of food and beverages at the 18th Annual Mira Mesa Street Fair, hosted by the Mira Mesa Town Council, Saturday, September 17, 2016, 10am to 5pm, on Camino Ruiz from Mira Mesa Blvd. to New Salem Street.

Browse the crafters and other vendors' booths to shop for something special, and visit the displays by community groups, schools, churches, businesses, and military to find out about things to do, places to go, and people to get acquainted with in Mira Mesa. Discover Mira Mesa's wild backyard at the Friends of Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve booth. Adults and children alike can enjoy making their own concrete items at a booth sponsored by Hansen Aggregates. Z-90 radio station will bring its bus. Do you like bowling? One of Mira Mesa's oldest businesses, Mira Mesa Lanes, is again participating in this year's Street Fair. Among the variety of vendors at the Street Fair will be a booth offering henna body art, by Sonie Hirani of Sonie Monie Henna. Visit the Mira Mesa Women's Club booth to find out more about their 2016 Chalk the Walk Community Art Festival, which will take place October 15. Mira Mesa's elected officials at the City, County, State, and Federal level all have booths where you can talk with them and/or their representatives.

The food court will have an international flair, with Jamaican, Filipino, Chinese, Mexican, and Salvadoran cuisine, as well as all-American hot dogs and sausages. Street Fair treats will include ever-popular kettlecorn, lemonade and shaved ice. Thirsty adults age 21 and up can visit the CORT beer garden, sponsored by CORT furniture.

Look through a solar telescope supplied by a San Diego Astronomy Association volunteer. See an armed combat vehicle, or climb to the top of a giant earth mover for a bird's eye view of the Street Fair below you! Discover treasures at bargain prices at the Friends of the Mira Mesa Library's fabulous book sale in the library meeting room during library hours, 9:30am – 6pm. The 3-day sale is also open Friday, September 16, 9:30am – 6pm, and Sunday, September 18, 12:30pm – 5pm.

Learn about Mira Mesa past and present at the "big top" information tent with displays and volunteers from the Mira Mesa Town Council, Recreation Council, and Community Planning Group -- as well as the recently re-energized Scripps Mesa Fireworks, Inc., the non-profit group which raises funds for the local 4th of July fireworks display, which are set off from Mira Mesa High School and watched not only from Mira Mesa Community Park but also from high points around Mira Mesa and Scripps Ranch. Meet Miss Mira Mesa and Miss Teen Mira Mesa!

This year's food vendors are:

Kona Ice Little Sandiego
Finest City Kettlecorn
Doggos Gus – Bacon wrapped hot dogs, Salvadoran pupusas
Jamaican Jerk Hut – Jamaican food
Muscle Beach Café – Sausages, hot dogs, lemonade
Ledesma Foods – Roasted corn, etc.
Gabina's Cuisine – Filipino food
Pick Up Stix – chicken (house, orange, bourbon), chow mein, rice
Baja Grill – Mexican food

Street Fair map, vendors list and Vulcan Music Stage and Community Stage schedules are in Sept-Oct 2016
Mira Mesa Living and at www.miramesatowncouncil.org.