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AUGUST ARTS IN THE PARK **Fun for the Whole Family**

Looking for a fun way to spend the last few weekends before school starts? The City of Arcata has the perfect solution. Beginning Saturday, August 3, and running for three consecutive weekends, “*August Arts in the Park*” provides quality entertainment for the whole family.

Sponsored by Arcata’s Recreation Division, “*August Arts in the Park*” will feature dancers, musicians, storytellers and clowns representing a variety of genres and cultures. All events will take place in Redwood Park. Admission to all events is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

The lineup of events is as follows:

Saturday, August 2 - You can either sit back and relax or get up and dance with *Kulica*, one of the most popular bands in the region, as they play their unique blend of sounds designed to refresh your soul and get you groovin’. Music starts at 7 pm.

Sunday, August 3 - Children in the audience will have a chance to “become part of the story” as the storytellers with *Storytime for Young’uns* invite them to put on costumes and portray the characters in some of their favorite fairy tales as well as original stories set in the Pacific Northwest. Storytime begins at 2pm.

Saturday, August 9 - You might want to leave the younger members of the family at home. *Terrible Tales*, which begins after dark at 9 pm, is not for the faint of heart. Bring a flashlight, a friend and all the courage you can muster up. Caution: these ghost stories may give you nightmares!

Sunday, August 10 – Children of all ages will enjoy exploring the science of laughter with Olive the Clown. *Science, Songs and Such*, an interactive afternoon in the park, promises to be both educational and entertaining for the whole family. The fun begins at 2 pm.

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August Arts in the Park – cont.

Saturday, August 16 - Not just for couples, *Tango Under the Stars* should be an enjoyable evening for the everyone. Whether you wear your dancing shoes or spread out a blanket and simply watch, the vibrant and seductive music of *Yo Tango* will set the tone for an evening of fun with friends and family. Music starts at 7 pm.

Sunday – August 17 - Redwood Park will echo with sounds from the past as *Yurok Drumming and Storytelling* celebrates the cultural diversity of our area. Family members of all ages will enjoy these traditional art forms representative of California’s largest Tribe. Event begins at 2 pm.

“August Arts in the Park” – what a great idea! Three weekends – six performances -all in Redwood Park. Surrounded by the beauty of nature and the laughter of children. I can’t think of a better way to end the summer.

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