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MISSION REVEALS BANDS FOR MUSIC UNDER THE STARS 2012

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, CA. – Oct. 27, 2011 – Mission San Juan Capistrano is excited to get a jump on the Summer of 2012, announcing the bands and dates of its popular Music Under the Stars concert series. Tickets for next summer's shows soon will be available for purchase.

The popular summer concert series regularly sells out its shows, which feature picnic dining and dancing in the mission's scenic courtyard. Seating is available either at a reserved table, or on your own lawn chair.

The 2012 Music Under the Stars lineup:

Saturday, July 7: Opening act -- Fortunate Son: A Tribute to the Music of John Fogerty and Creedence Clearwater Revival

Headliner -- The Long Run: Experience the Eagles

Saturday, July 21: Opening act -- Dandy DJ

Headliner -- A Tribute to Sir Elton John

Saturday, August 4: Hot August Night: Neil Diamond Tribute

Saturday, August 18: Jumping Jack Flash: Celebrating the Rolling Stones

Saturday, September 1: Opening act -- DJ Peter (Papadopoulos) with dancers
Headliner -- The Fab Four: Ultimate Tribute to the Beatles with "Ed Sullivan"

Tickets go on sale on the following dates:

Feb. 1-12: Season table packages. Sales by concierge phone service (949-234-1317)

Feb. 13-29: Individual dates for tables and lawn -- Mission members only. Sales online (www.missionsjc.com) and by phone (949-234-1317 for tables, 949-234-1321 for lawn)

March 1: All sales open to public. Sales online only (www.missionsjc.com)

Mission Preservation Society Members receive discounts on reserved tables and general admission lawn tickets. To become a member or renew today, please call Mary Jayne Pugh at 949-234-1325.

About Mission San Juan Capistrano:

Known as the "Jewel of the Missions," Mission San Juan Capistrano is a historic landmark and museum that boasts of quality permanent exhibits featuring original artifacts as well as traveling and temporary exhibits on a wide variety of topics.

The site itself serves as a living outdoor museum with original buildings constructed by Native Americans in the 18th century including the Serra Chapel, Great Stone Church, and the original padres' quarters of the South Wing.

The Mission was founded on November 1, 1776 by Padre Junipero Serra as the seventh in the chain of the twenty-one California missions established by Spain, and is Orange County's only mission. Every year, over 50,000 students visit the Mission and engage in an inspirational learning experience via the Mission Matters programming, as part of their State required California history studies.

Mission San Juan Capistrano is owned by the Diocese of Orange and is supported by the Mission Preservation Foundation, which is comprised of business and community leaders committed to ensuring the long term preservation and viability of Orange County's only Mission. The Mission receives no funding from either the Church or the State of California and charges admission funds as a means of providing public access.

Mission San Juan Capistrano is located at 26801 Ortega Highway, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. Open Daily 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Good Friday afternoon. Admission is \$9 adults; \$8 seniors

(60 years or over); \$5 children (ages 4 to 11); and children ages 3 and under are admitted free. Free audio guide with senior and adult admission. For more information, call (949) 234-1300 or visit www.missionsjc.com.