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Queen Nation

FREE Outdoor Concert Series Presented by Coors Light

Get ready for a show that will rock you on Thursday, June 9, as Queen Nation takes over the stage as part of the FREE Outdoor Theater Concert Series presented by Coors Light at the 2022 Merced County Fair presented by Valley Children's Healthcare! The thundering performance starts at 8:30 p.m. and is free with paid Fair admission.

Queen Nation is an amazingly accurate tribute to a throwback Queen concert. The group was created in 2004 by Southern California based music agency DMHE using local California musicians. Queen Nation is the West Coast's longest running, most authentic fully costumed re-creation of a vintage Queen concert.

The show consists of four musicians who all sing and perform in character and period costumes, while playing live note-for-note renditions of classic Queen songs. Featured front man vocalist, Gregory Finsley has an uncanny tone that matches the late great Freddie Mercury. Gregory also is an excellent concert trained pianist, which allows him to accurately re-create what Freddie Mercury and Queen magically did live on stage as a four-piece supergroup. Rounding out the Queen Nation lineup is Mike McManus on guitar as Brian May, Pete Burke on drums as Roger Taylor and Parker Combs on bass as John Deacon.

The mission of the show is to carry on the musical torch and pay homage to the golden age of vintage Queen concerts, for fans who may not have been able to see Queen live in its original configuration. Queen Nation has been crowned by their loyal legions of fans as "The People's Choice Tribute to Queen Champions." Queen Nation has performed at more than 150 shows across the US in 2019 alone to help earn the crown as one of the top tribute bands in the Nation. They have also recently been inducted into the California Music Hall of Fame 2020 inaugural class, as well as being voted The Best Live! Band at the 2020 VCMA's (Ventura County Music Awards). Queen Nation's live 90-minute production of Queen's greatest hits preserves the image, sound, and stage persona of vintage Queen. Audiences are amazed at the accuracy of Queen Nation's live retrospective journey through such Queen songs as "We Will Rock You," "Bohemian Rhapsody," "We Are The Champions," "Crazy Little Thing Called Love," "You're My Best Friend," "Another One Bites The Dust," "Under Pressure" and many more. Queen Nation has performed in front of thousands of people at various casinos, fairs, festivals and private affairs.

Queen Nation Highlights

- 2015 - Best Live! Performance Recognition by City of Los Angeles
- 2019 - Tribute Band National Champions with over 150+ performances across the U.S.
- 2020 – VCMA'S Best Live! Band in Ventura County
- 2021 - California Music Hall of Fame Inductee
- The Canyon Club's Canyon Wall of Fame Inductee
- Crowned No. 1 World's Greatest Queen Tribute by AXS TV

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