

**Saturday, June 4, 2022 11:15- La Merienda** A few reservations may still be available if there are any cancellations at this 252<sup>nd</sup> celebration of the founding of Monterey at the Memory Gardens/Custom House Plaza. This lavish fiesta features an extravagant barbecue, entertainment and dancers. Email [LaMerienda2022@gmail.com](mailto:LaMerienda2022@gmail.com) or call 831-717-8321 for any availability. The two Old Town tables are full, but we are taking a waiting list in case there are any last-minute cancellations at our tables. Proof of covid vaccination and ID required.

**Friday, June 10, 1- 7 pm, Saturday, June 11 10-6, and -Sunday June 12, 10-4 pm – Monterey Jade Festival at Custom House Plaza.** Over 50 Nephrite and Jadeite vendors offer their wares at the Custom House Plaza. See remarkable carvings, sculptures, jewelry, knives and much more from expert craftsmen. No admission fee.

**Saturday, June 18, 10 am -6 pm– Rock and Rods on the Plaza-** See custom pre-1973 vintage hot rods and enjoy rock and roll music on the Custom House plaza. Free.

**Saturday, June 25 and Sunday June 26 – Monterey Outdoor Market** on the Plaza

**Monday, July 4, 2022- Fourth of July Parade** on Alvarado and Calle Principal.

**Monday, July 4, 2022, 3-4 pm – Free Concert on the Wharf** by Loma Linda Academy String Orchestra in front of Rockfish Harbor Grill. Feel free to bring a folding chair if desired. Photo ops on wharf, decorated for the Independence Day celebration.

**Saturday, July 9, 2022, 2 pm. -Old Town Neighborhood Summer Social in the Park.** Join us at Group Site 1 at Veteran's Park for our summer social event. Packaged snacks and canned beverages are compliments of Old Town. Enjoy socializing with your neighbors. Bocce, corn hole, and supersized Jenga games will be available. Free.

**Friday, July 15, Saturday, July 16 and Sunday July 17, 2022 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scottish Games and Celtic Festival.** Friday at Hyatt Regency Ballroom 6-9:30 a pre-festival Scottish Ceilidh with dinner, drinks, entertainment including bands and pipes, highland dancing, drum fanfare, raffle, and dance. Kitchen Piping contest 7:30-9. Tickets at [www.montereycelticfest.com/ceilidh](http://www.montereycelticfest.com/ceilidh). Saturday and Sunday at Monterey Fair and Event Center the Scottish Games and Celtic Festival feature historical reenactments of life in 16<sup>th</sup> century Scotland, with lavish costumes and displays, music, dance, food and athletic events. One day passes \$10 (teens, seniors, military)-\$20 adult. Two day passes \$15-30. Children 12 and under free. Visit [montereycelticfest.com](http://montereycelticfest.com).

**Saturday, July 16 and Sunday July 17 – Monterey Outdoor Market** on the Plaza

**Saturday, July 23, 2022 Monterey Peninsula Pride Parade and Celebration** at Custom House Plaza. More info at [www.montereypride.org](http://www.montereypride.org).

**Wednesday, August 17- Sunday, August 20, 2022 – RM Sotheby's Car Preview and Auction** at Monterey Conference Center/Custom House Plaza. Preview Wednesday 10-5, Thursday 10-6, Friday and Sat 10-4. Auction Friday and Saturday 5:30.

**Friday, September 9 – Sunday, September 11, 2022 – Festa Italia!** Returns to the Custom House Plaza. Friday 5-9 pm The Money Band. Saturday 10 am- Opening ceremonies and procession to Old Fisherman's Wharf for the blessing of the fleet. 11:30am- 9 pm -Music begins with Pasquale Esposito, and continues with Anthony Lane Band, Singers Erasmo Aiello and Dave Marzetti accompanied by Mike Marotta Jr, Dennis Murphy, Dave Dally, Paul Tarantino and Skylar Campbell; Tarantella Dancers, Anthony Lane Band 5-7 pm, Chicano All Stars 7 pm – 9 pm. Sunday music starts at noon. Bocce tournament Saturday and Sunday; artisan crafts and foods continual. More info at [www.festaitaliamonterey.org](http://www.festaitaliamonterey.org).

**September 23-25 Greek Festival** in Custom House Plaza

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Monterey Museum of Art** – New summer exhibition of paintings and sculpture by Enrique Martinez Celaya and rarely seen photographs and handwritten poems by Robinson Jeffers, on view May 12 – October 9, 2022 (fee).

**Old Town Neighborhood Association's website is now LIVE!** Visit [oldtownmonterey.org](http://oldtownmonterey.org) for the latest on events, issues, and to find the Historic Homes self-guided walk featuring historic homes in our Old Town neighborhood.

**Monterey State Historic Park Association Position Opening for Store manager** – MSHPA is hiring a part-time manager (15 hours per week) for the Custom House and Pacific House stores, to handle inventory maintenance, ordering, receiving and stocking and not requiring interaction with the public. Please contact Donna Gibson at [dmg6391@gmail.com](mailto:dmg6391@gmail.com) or see <https://www.mshpa.org/manager> for more information.

**Custom House Gift Shop Needs Volunteers!** Shifts are Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10:30 am-1:00 pm and 1:00 to 3:30 pm. Contact [Richard.fletcher@parks.ca.gov](mailto:Richard.fletcher@parks.ca.gov) if you can help or for more information.

**Calling all Artists- Pacific Grove Art Center Seeks Miniature Art Donations.** Donations must be no larger than 8"x10" including frame and not exceed 7 inches in depth, ready to hang with hooks and wire already attached. Limit three original works per artist. Donations should be brought to 568 Lighthouse Weds through Saturday, noon to 5 pm, and Sundays 12-4 pm. prior to June 22.

**Undergrounding Committee** Seeks Interested Residents -Our Old Town Neighborhood Undergrounding Committee is working jointly with interested residents of Monterey Vista and New Monterey Neighborhoods to work on a plan to underground utilities. You can contact Suzie Grimes at [suziegrimes@juno.com](mailto:suziegrimes@juno.com) with your ideas and to become part of this committee.

**Monterey County Theater Alliance** – The Monterey County Theater Alliance has been providing us many interesting theatrical presentations over zoom. For an ongoing schedule for these events, usually free and on zoom, visit [admin@theatremonterey.org](mailto:admin@theatremonterey.org). Free theatrical presentations on topics of local history will usually show also under events. Thank you, MCTA, for offering us so many interesting topics during the covid time of sheltering in place!

**Not Yet a Member of Old Town Neighborhood Association?** Annual membership dues are \$20 per household and go to help support social events and technical costs of website, Zoom meetings, and newsletter. [Learn how become a member on our website!](#) If you have any questions, [contact us!](#)

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