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## **MUSIC IN MAY RETURNS FOR ANOTHER SEASON; LINEUP FEATURES VARIETY OF STYLES**

**Anthem, Ariz.** – Four weeks of free concerts come to life at Anthem Community Park as Music in May returns for a 15<sup>th</sup> season. A different act takes the stage each Friday in May, 7-9 p.m. After last year's event became the victim of temperamental Mother Nature, this year's forecast calls for hot crowds and a raucous atmosphere as these performers bring a variety of classics and modern favorites to life at the Amphitheater.

Attendees at the free, family-friendly event are encouraged to bring blankets, lawn chairs, picnics and flashlights. Food trucks will be on site for the opening performance for the fourth year in a row; an ice cream truck will be available the remaining weeks.

This year's lineup includes:

### **May 6: Shining Star**

After weather forced the cancellation of last year's performance, Shining Star is set to make their Music in May debut. The group brightens up the night with its signature variety of R&B and dance tunes. Promising to make the night a memorable one, the group will showcase their skills performing songs by Michael Jackson, Robin Thicke, Bruno Mars, Beyonce, LMFAO and numerous others.

### **May 13: Groove Merchants**

This ten-piece ensemble composed of musicians from across the Phoenix area has established a commanding stage presence through years of performing together. Their wide-variety repertoire boasts tunes from the 40s to today, drawing crowds to the dance floor. Fans of rock, soul, R&B and contemporary hits will enjoy the band's

high-energy show performed with a signature panache that has made Groove Merchants a staple of the local scene for two decades.

**May 20: True to Life**

Get ready to dance as this Scottsdale-based group takes the stage. Describing themselves as a high-energy dance and cover band, True to Life has gained notoriety performing at venues across the Western United States, as well as on several top-tier cruise ships. For 15 years, True to Life has entertained audiences with an eclectic mix of music ranging from Top 40 to disco and country to blues.

**May 27: Arizona Moonshine Band**

Adding a little country flavor to the lineup, Arizona Moonshine Band brings a high-energy presence to the stage, as they play the perfect mix of today's hits and yesterday's favorites. From Luke Bryan and Jason Aldean to Merle Haggard and Johnny Cash, nothing is off the table. This group adds to their show with a touch of audience participation, prizes and a personalized music experience.

Music in May attracts about 2,500 residents and guests each week. Special Events Director Michele DeMichele said, "Each of Anthem's special events offers something different to the community, and Music in May is an opportunity for our residents to cut loose and enjoy quality live music and even better company in the form of their friends and neighbors. We look forward to a great – and hopefully rain-free – Music in May series."

BrightView Landscaping, The Prickett Group and Merrill Gardens are the sponsors for this year's Music in May.

Concerts take place in the Amphitheater at Anthem Community Park, located at 41703 N. Gavilan Peak Pkwy. To learn more about Music in May, visit [OnlineAtAnthem.com/music-may](http://OnlineAtAnthem.com/music-may).

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