



Hot News from the Oxnard Salsa Festival!

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Oxnard Salsa Festival Announces Salsa Recipe Contest/Professional Division Winners

Oxnard, Calif.—After two hours of judging and tabulating votes, winners of the 2017 Oxnard Salsa Festival’s Salsa Recipe Contest/Professional Division were announced July 20 at an event for festival sponsors at Heritage Square in Oxnard.

The eight judges sampled 26 different salsas from 14 restaurants, caterers and professional salsa makers. Categories were Red, Green, Hot, Medium, Mild and Specialty/Fruit. The winners are [CP Catering](#) (Best Red and Best Specialty/Fruit salsas), [BG’s Café](#) (Best Green and Best Mild salsas), [Vallarta Supermarkets](#) (Best Hot salsa) and [La Dolce Vita](#) (Best Medium salsa). BG’s Café also took home the Judges’ Choice Award (best of the best) for its green salsa.

Guests at the festival event voted La Dolce Vita’s red mild salsa as their “People’s Choice.”

Festivalgoers can sample these and other salsas during the 24th Annual Oxnard Salsa Festival, July 29 and 30 from 11 am to 7 pm at [Plaza Park](#) (Fifth and ‘B’ Streets in downtown Oxnard). Tent admission is \$5 per person, which includes freshly made Mission Foods’ tortilla chips and 10 tasting tickets. An amateur salsa recipe contest will be held Sunday, July 30 in the festival’s salsa tasting tent. Pre-registration is required; applications for the amateur challenge can be accessed online at OxnardSalsaFestival.com.

Other festival highlights include live salsa and Latin bands, vendor marketplace, international foods, kids’ play zone, community stage and the popular, “Dancing With Our Community Stars” contest and charity fundraiser. Admission and parking are free. Main stage open lawn seating is available for \$5 (kids under 10 are free).

The Oxnard Salsa Festival is presented each year by the [Oxnard Downtowners](#). Sponsors are Bud Light, Gold Coast Broadcasting, Mission Foods, Oxnard Convention & Visitors Bureau, Premier America, Vallarta Supermarkets, Ventura County Star, and other community partners.

For festival information, call 805-535-4060 or visit www.oxnardsalsafestival.com.

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