

Palm Springs Art Museum to Host FREE Music in the Garden



January 12, 2009 (Palm Springs, CA) - The Palm Springs Art Museum will continue its free Music in the Garden series with guitarist John Pagels on Thursday, January 22 at 6 p.m. in the museum's Marcuse Sculpture Garden. Admission to the museum on Thursdays between 4 and 8 p.m. is free, and there is no charge for this performance.

Pagels has been the master of guitar, drums and bass for the past 40 years. He began his career in Southern Michigan where he received a full music scholarship, which led to teaching fully accredited college-level guitar courses. This led to his performing in many popular bands in the night club scene of Detroit, Kalamazoo, Ann Arbor, and surrounding areas. While in Ann Arbor, wrote and recorded the soundtrack for the film *Imperialist Overture*.

Pagels has performed in popular jazz trios, pit orchestras for many musicals at various dinner theaters and has performed on classical guitar at numerous exclusive Tampa hotels and restaurants. Pagels moved to Palm Springs and has been a professional recording artist and performing musician ever since. He plays Spanish and classical guitar, original rock and pop songs with a hint of humor. Experience this FREE performance in the Marcuse Sculpture Garden, where you can enjoy a variety of refreshments from the Muse Café.

The Music in the Garden series is funded by a grant from the James Irvine Foundation.

Located downtown in an architecturally-significant E. Stewart Williams-designed building, the Palm Springs Art Museum features exciting exhibitions of contemporary, Native American, Western and Pre-Columbian art in spacious galleries. It features two sculpture gardens, stimulating lectures and educational programs for all ages, and offers diverse performances at its Annenberg Theater. The Art Museum is open six days a week; Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Thursday from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is free to members; \$12.50 for adults; \$10.50 for seniors 62 and over; \$5 for adult students and active-duty military with I.D. and free for youths 12 and under. For more information, call 760.322.4800 or visit www.psmuseum.org.

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