

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

Make it a Double Round of Pink Martini



Pink Martini puts away its passports for two special hometown performances at the Oregon Zoo on Thursday, Aug. 26 and Friday, Aug. 27.

Hometown favorites home for two shows

Pink Martini needs little introduction to local audiences. The band has earned a world-class reputation around the globe. Despite a busy international touring schedule, Pink Martini will put away the passports for two special hometown performances at the Oregon Zoo.

The band's only Portland appearances this summer are scheduled Thursday, Aug. 26 and Friday, Aug. 27 as part of Oregon Zoo's summer concert series, presented by NW Natural.

Pink Martini has an unusual past and an unusual mission. Thomas Lauderdale formed the band in 1994

to play political fund-raisers for progressive causes — such as civil rights, affordable housing and public broadcasting. A year later, China Forbes, who knew Lauderdale from their time at Harvard, joined the group and the two began to write multilingual music and lyrics for the band.

The group has since become an international sensation, performing on concert stages and with symphony orchestras throughout Europe, Asia, Northern Africa, Australia, Canada and the United States.

Pink Martini is comprised of 12 members, who have all studied languages and music from different parts of the world — and, with everyone contributing to the writing and arranging of songs, the results are exceptionally diverse. The "little orchestra" includes piano, trombone, trumpet, violin, bass, cello, guitar and

a large percussion section.

Their most recent album — 2009's "Splendor in the Grass" — is an internationally infused delight. Charming "chamber pop," Latin dance tunes and powerful ballads sung in English, Neapolitan, Italian, French and Spanish expand the vast musical repertoire the band boasts. Recorded locally, the release also features Grant High School chamber choir the Royal Blues on a track called "Sing."

The Oregon Zoo amphitheater is undeniably the perfect place to see Pink Martini in their element — outdoors, in Portland, on a beautiful summer evening.

Tickets for the Pink Martini shows can be purchased at Oregon Zoo for \$32 each. Tickets can also be purchased (with service charges) at all Ticketmaster ticket outlets.

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