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Laguna artist's work
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Salsas from Rasta Taco

Just in time for spring/summer grilling and entertaining comes Rasta Salsa, a trio of natural spicy sauces out of Laguna Beach. Chef Isaac Buchanan of San Francisco's famed Le Cordon Bleu collaborated with Rasta Taco, an OC-based gourmet mobile taco cart company, to introduce the new line of dynamic flavored salsas: mild with habanero chili and pineapple, medium with mandarin oranges and jalapeno, and our favorite, hot with New Mexico and habanero chilis.



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Rasta Salsas are gluten-, soy- and dairy-free and come in

airline travel-approved bottles. The trio costs \$9.99. You can order online at www.rastataco.com. Or you can have them delivered with Rasta Taco's mobile taco cart that cooks up original Mexican fusion recipes and brings them to your backyard party or any event.

You can choose from Caribbean carne asada, Jamaican chicken, slow-simmered carnitas, al pastor and side dishes, including tortillas, rice, beans and vegetarian entrée selections too. No canned food is its motto — everything is fresh. For more information, call (949) 842-6936.

LIDO GOES POP! AT FILM FEST

As if eight nights and 350 films aren't exciting enough, now we have "Lido Goes Pop!" to look forward to. For the first time in its 12-year run, Newport Beach Film festivalgoers can convene nightly at Lido Marina Village in Newport Beach as Riviera Magazine transforms the quaint waterfront village into a shopping, dining and gathering mecca.

Stop by and enjoy goodies, giveaways and sneak peeks at newly revealed products as well as tasty bites from renowned restaurants starting Thursday through May 5. ("Lido Goes Pop!" also coincides with the Newport Boat Show at Lido Marina Village through Sunday.)

You can also meet directors,

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TWO-HOUR CONCERT: Trumpet player Matt Wood and the rest of the Laguna Community Concert Band will play May 7 at the Laguna Playhouse. Tickets are \$5 for the concert. The band has been an institution in town since 1998.

Time to strike up the band

It's the kind of group that gets people out of their chairs and into new ones.

That's what happened to Matt Wood. He hadn't played trumpet in 24 years, and for his father, it was 53 years. But after Wood bought his dad one as a birthday present, they rekindled their love for music-making.

So the Woods joined the band. Again.

But this time it was their hometown Laguna Community Concert Band.

When the opportunity to play music again calls, musicians — even ones long dormant — strike

while the baton's hot. But usually only when life permits, Wood said.

"You get married. You go to work, have a couple kids," he said. "You raise those kids. They get grown up. Now they're out of the house and you start looking around — and you find your horn."

Wood, 49, works at Len Wood's Indian Territory, a Laguna business of more than 40 years. The Aliso Viejo resident also serves as the band's president. He's been playing with LCCB



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since 2006.

An institution since 1998, LCCB can be seen and heard at staple city events like the Patriots Day Parade, Festival of Arts, Sawdust Art Festival and Art-A-Fair.

The band's upcoming two-hour concert at 7:30

p.m. May 7 in the Laguna Playhouse, 606 Laguna Canyon Road, will showcase a variety of tunes. Admission is \$5.

It's likely the best musical deal just about anywhere and includes performances by two of the band's small ensembles: SwingSet

and Third Street Strutters, a Dixieland band.

Featured soloists include tuba player Charlie Warren, whose many credentials include recording in the studios and playing in Disneyland's bands, and Brent Anderson on trombone. Anderson also serves as a music librarian for the Pacific Symphony.

Some of the extensive program's highlights include an arrangement of Bernstein's "West Side Story," the "Star Spangled Banner" and Linda Hughes

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Horoscopes

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Capture your inspirations. If you don't write down your creative ideas they will be lost forever. This is a fabulous time to apply wisdom and vision to your plans for the future and make important decisions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Questions need answers. To maintain your reputation and obtain recognition, it is necessary to know what to say when a question is raised. You may be smart to answer from the heart.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Get a jump on the

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Get over yourself. You may think that your life is of the utmost importance, but when you are in a group setting, the welfare of all is the key to success. This is a good day to make wise financial decisions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Slay the time dragons. Cut back on ugly activities that eat up your time or are otherwise unproductive. Your judgment is better than usual, so this is a good time to make crucial decisions and changes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your hard day's

may light up your life. A private conversation may bring romantic partners closer. Don't labor under false assumptions or give a deceptive impression as the weekend unfolds.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Be known for your knowledge. Get out in the public eye and be a passionate participant instead of seeking the sidelines. You may earn praise or admiration if you remain completely aboveboard.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Push problems down the road until you come to the end. The serious side of you that has turned you into a