



MONTEREY FESTA ITALIA CANCELS SEPT. FESTIVAL DUE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

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The 87TH Festa Italia 3-day Outdoor Event held at Monterey's Custom House Plaza scheduled for September 11-13, 2020, is postponed to September 2021 by Board of Directors.

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The Festa Italia Board of Directors held a virtual meeting this month and a vote was taken to cancel the Festa Italia Fisherman's Festival this year making the health of the community, volunteers, performers and visitors the highest priority during this pandemic of the Coronavirus-COVID 19. This year's 2020 event would celebrate the 87th year, which began in 1933, of the admission free, 3-day event honoring the Italian Sicilian Fisherman sharing great music, delicious food and fun for families. Attendance at the September Festival has been over 25,000 people with over 400 volunteers, and the decision to cancel was difficult but necessary at this time. The Festa Board is working towards bringing the Festa back in September 2021.

About the Festa Italia Foundation...

Festa Italia Foundation, Inc. is a local non-profit public benefit organization whose main goals are to promote the Italian heritage, tradition and culture, to honor the fishermen of Monterey, California and to educate the public on how the Italian fisherman have contributed to the heritage of our community.

In 1997 the Festa Italia Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization was incorporated. Festa Italia Foundation, Inc. and the board of directors are responsible for planning and implementing the Monterey Fisherman's Festival along with several other fund raising events throughout the year. It is due to the Board's hard work and dedication that the Monterey Fisherman's Festival has achieved unprecedented success year after year. Memberships are available to support the efforts of Festa Italia. <https://www.festaitaliamonterey.org/membership.html>

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