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Written By: Dave Carleen Santa Catalina Wine Mixer

Is the wildly insane, “Catalina Wine Mixer” scene from the Will Ferrell madcap classic comedy, “Step Brothers” anything at all like the real-life Catalina Wine Mixer at Descanso Beach Club? If you are curious about the possibility, the second annual real-life mixer happens September 23-25. Santa Catalina Wine Mixer

The “Wine Mixer” title is a bit deceiving for this is a weekend-long experience highlighting live music, which is far more than wine. Although there certainly will be wine available everywhere to purchase and wine tasting will occur (complimentary tastings with VIP tickets), it is the concerts that are the real attraction. Santa Catalina Wine Mixer

The proceedings begin on Friday, Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. with a screening of “Step Brothers” at the historic Casino Theatre. Two men in their 30s still live with their parents, one with his

father, the other with his mother. The parents meet, fall in love and marry, making the two men “step brothers.” Santa Catalina Wine Mixer



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One of the brothers throws a party and it ends up being referred to, in the film, as “The %\$#&*@ Catalina Wine Mixer.” The film is the theme of this year’s event and the theme carries into the costume party at Avalon Grille at 10 p.m. DJ K Fresh will provide the sounds for the evening while guests are encouraged to channel one’s inner energy and come dressed as one of the leading characters of the film. Those in costume will vie in a contest to win a future night’s stay at the Pavilion Hotel with round trip boat transportation and two Zip Line Eco Tour tickets, as well as a meet and greet with several event entertainers. Santa Catalina Wine Mixer

Saturday’s outdoor entertainment begins on the beach at 6:30 p.m. at Descanso Beach Club. The show starts with DJ Ayla. Then the three member Welsh electric band, The Joy Formidable opens the live show. At 8:30 p.m. the featured act, KONGOS take the stage. This is a hard-driving rock band that creates a unique, signature sound combining electric slide guitar and an acoustic accordion.



Sunday is the big day with concerts starting at 2:00 p.m. and lasting until 10 p.m. The show from 2:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. begins with DJ Ayla to warm up the audience. Then the live show begins with Everett Coast, an acoustic guitar driven duo of woven voices and tightly fused songwriting; then the nephew of Carlos Santana and “American Idol” contestant in 2014, Adam Lasher; LA-based hard rockers,

Machineheart; and singer/songwriter, Erick Macek. To close the show, The Dan Band featuring Dan Finnerty, returns from last year to headline the weekend. The Dan Band, who was made famous in the films, "The Hangover" and "Old School", performs hilarious covers, takeoffs and distinct embellishments of various rock classics. Santa Catalina Wine Mixer

Admission tickets for this event are available in full or in part. There are two basic options for tickets: General Admission and VIP. The VIP pass garners complimentary food, access to VIP Hospitality Suites, a complimentary private wine tasting, and a complimentary souvenir wine glass from the Original Catalina Wine Mixer as well as other memorabilia.. Both General Admission and VIP passes are available for either Saturday or Sunday individually or as a two day package pass. Santa Catalina Wine Mixer

Admission to the Catalina Wine Mixer can be packaged with transportation by boat or even helicopter. And can be bundled with other optional extras like private beach cabanas, comfortable chaise lounges and hours at the Island Spa Catalina. Additional information and tickets can be obtained at www.visitcatalinaisland.com (<http://www.visitcatalinaisland.com>). Santa Catalina Wine Mixer

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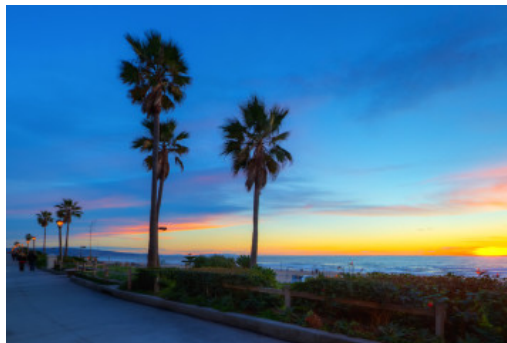
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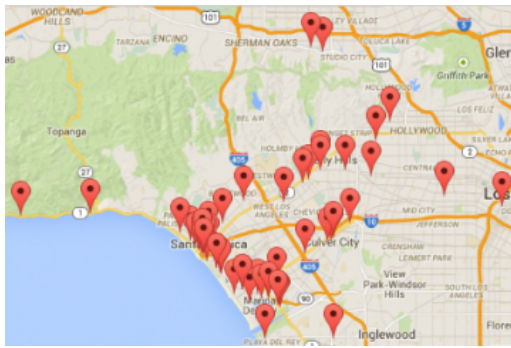
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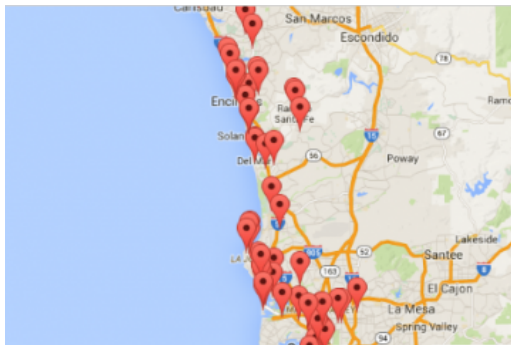
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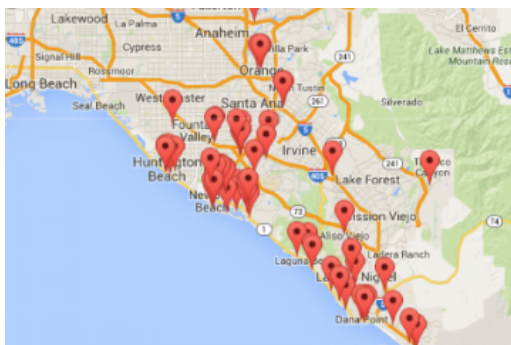
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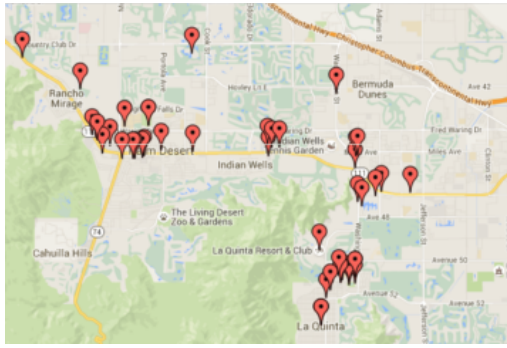
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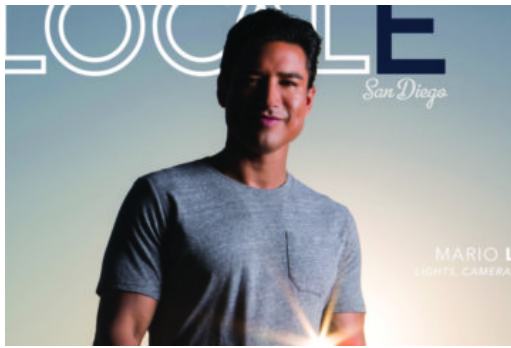
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