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## **Celebrate the Vibrant Culture of Oaxaca at the Madera Fair**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE August 27, 2024 (Madera, CA)**– The rich traditions and vibrant culture of Oaxaca, Mexico, will come alive at the Madera Fair on September 8<sup>th</sup> on the Patio Stage with the highly anticipated "Taste of Oaxaca" event. This unique celebration in partnership with Comité Guelaguetza Madera promises to be a feast for the senses, featuring authentic Oaxacan cuisine, traditional entertainment, and masterful artisans showcasing their craft.

### **The Flavor of Oaxaca**

Food lovers are in for a treat as "Taste of Oaxaca" brings the regional flavors of southern Mexico to Madera. Attendees will have the opportunity to savor a variety of authentic dishes, including mole, tlayudas, and tamales, all prepared by local Oaxacan restaurants. In addition to delightful plates, guests 21 and over can enjoy Mezcal refreshments from a limited menu.

### **Mole Competition and Tasting**

One of the highlights of the event will be the Mole Competition, where three food vendors will compete for "Best Mole of Madera Fair 2024". Judges will evaluate each mole based on flavor, texture, and authenticity, and the winning mole will be crowned on stage. Attendees will also have the chance to participate in a public mole tasting, from 5-7pm while supplies last and in turn vote in the People's Choice award.

### **Traditional Music, Entertainment and Artisans**

The venue also features live performances that capture the essence of Oaxacan culture. From the lively sounds of musicians to the captivating traditional Guelaguetza dancers and folklorico. In addition to food and entertainment, "Taste of Oaxaca" will showcase the talents of Oaxacan artisans. Fair guest can explore handwoven textiles, intricately crafted pottery, colorful alebrijes (fantastical wooden carvings), and other traditional crafts. These artisans will not only sell their works but also demonstrate their techniques, offering a glimpse into the rich artistic heritage of Oaxaca.

### **Join Us at the Madera Fair**

Celebrate the fun at the Madera Fair presented by Valley Children's Healthcare September 5-8<sup>th</sup>. Take advantage of pre-sale adult admission online, at the Madera Fair office or at Rancho San Miguel, 1410 E. Yosemite Ave. thru September 4<sup>th</sup>. For more information, specials and entertainment schedules, visit [maderafair.com](http://maderafair.com) and stay connected on social media!