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## "Tacos and Tunes"

**Los Gringos Locos restaurant and the Misplaced Priorities band donation protocol**

*To book "Tacos and Tunes" for a charity event or charity auction item, please contact both the band and the restaurant!*

### Terms.

The following terms apply to "Tacos and Tunes" as an auction item. Any alternate arrangements must be in writing and approved by the band and restaurant before the auction begins. "Tacos and Tunes" is also available for other charitable events in a non-auction context by arrangement with the band and/or the restaurant.

### **AUCTION INFORMATION**

1. Organizations must register with either Los Gringo Locos or the Misplaced Priorities to actuate **Taco's and Tunes** as an auction item.
2. "Tacos and Tunes" will be a live auction item when possible.
3. The auction package will be valued at \$1850.00; the minimum opening bid is \$900.00 (please do not sell us for less!).
4. Although we make every effort to accommodate the winning bidder, bookings for event dates are subject to the availability of the band and the taco cart... and the whims of our spouses. Please see FAQ for more details on availability!
5. Los Gringos Locos and the Misplaced Priorities will be named in any invitation, poster, news or article that promotes the event.
6. **Winning bidder must be reported by the Non-Profit to Los Gringos or Misplaced Priorities along with the amount of the winning bid for TACO AND TUNES Please use the online registration form [Book Us](#), Or go to [www.misplacedpriorities.com](http://www.misplacedpriorities.com) .**

### **WINNING BIDDER INFORAMTION**

- **Winner must be registered by charity with the band.** Please email Tom Reynolds at [reynoldsweb@gmail.com](mailto:reynoldsweb@gmail.com) with name, email address and amount the package raised within 10 days of the event.
- The restaurant package includes food and beverage service for 30; more guests can be added for a modest incremental cost.
- The band plays rock, country western and blues from a set play list.
- Performance includes a minimum of two 1-hour sets, more if you ask nicely.
- Event must be booked 30 days in advance by both Los Gringos and The Misplaced Priorities
- Band personnel and availability is subject to change without notice and may consist of between 3 and 11 Members.
  - The event host or other designated person may sing lead on any song(s).
  - The band's public address system will be available to the host for event announcements or (yawn)
  - Speeches, and the bandleader will act as master of ceremonies on request.
  - Read more on our FAQ page <http://www.misplacedpriorities.com/learn-more/party-faq>

**The event must be booked within one year from the date of the auction. Cancellations of an event may void this engagement.**

### **BACK STORY**

In 1996, Los Gringos Locos restaurant and the world famous Misplaced Priorities band first teamed up to offer an "instant party" auction package that includes the restaurant's signature taco truck and Margarita bar and an afternoon or evening of classic rock from the band. Since then they have raised over \$500,000 for worthy causes and would love to add your party or charitable event to their roster.

Los Gringos Locos. As an expression of their love of Mexican food (let's be honest, all food), John and Bent Hansen opened the best Mexican restaurant in La Canada over 15 years ago and never looked back. The taco cart includes charcoal-grilled carne asada and chicken street tacos, frijoles, Mexican rice, salad, chips and salsa, condiments and all utensils. The Margarita bar offers traditional House Margaritas.

Misplaced Priorities. The Misplaced Priorities is a local band that rose from humble beginnings. Forged around Boy Scout campfires and on the boat ride home from Camp Fox at Catalina Island, it has grown to become the official house band of several non-profits and a regular at picnics, carnivals, special birthday parties, summer flings and city events. It is a high-energy, classic rock band, "playing music from your youth, sounding almost like you remember it," in the words of band founder Tom Reynolds. Dancing and other eruptions of spontaneous audience participation are encouraged at its performances

## **IMPROTANT: Go to second page and read FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### GETTING STARTED WITH THE AUCTION

Go to [www.MisplacedPriorities.com](http://www.MisplacedPriorities.com) for more information and to hear the band's recordings  
 Must have written approval from Los Gringos Locos or Misplaced Priorities to auction Taco or Tunes  
 Charity must notify either [Bent Hanson](#) (LGL) or [Tom Reynolds](#) (MP) the winning bidders name, email and amount paid with in 10 days of event

### GETTING STARTED WITH THE WINNING BIDDER

- Taco and Tunes must be reserved a minimum of 4 weeks in advance.
- The last weekend of August (weekend before labor day) and Dec 10 through January 1 are not available.
- Our spouses must approve bookings on all major holidays.
- We are limiting performances to 15 a year. Please make arrangements early to assure you get full value for your donation
- Be sure to reserve date with Los Gringos Locos - [bent@losgringoslocos.com](mailto:bent@losgringoslocos.com)
- Call Los Gringos to updated or confirm head count a few days before the event (818) 790-2696
- Los Gringos provides food for us, so no need to add us to your party head count.
- **The party is for 30 guest.** Los Gringos will be happy to increase that number for a reasonable per-person price.
- Please call LGL for more information **818-248-5910**

### SETUP

- We usually come to set up about 1 1/2 hours before a gig.
- The band needs about of a 10 x 10 foot print to set up.... 12x16 is an ideal size if your event calls for a rented stage.
- The band's power requirement is just standard household current (120 volts rated at 15 amps).
- If possible we suggest that the band not be too near your guests when they are eating so it is easier for them to talk.
- The band should not be placed near a pool if children are swimming during the performance... The result could be shocking :-)
- **COLD WEATHER** - 60 degrees or below and the band needs heaters Three stand-up, propane heaters is ideal
- **RAIN AND WIND** - The band needs to play in a tent if there is a chance of rain
- **INDOOR PERFORMANCES** - if there is limited space inside a house or if just background music is needed, the band can play "unplugged" if arrangements are made in advance.

### Here are three things that lead to a GREAT performance by the band:

- Shade (when it is warm)
- Flat patch of ground for the Drummer
- Access to normal power (we come with LONG extension cords).
- Protection form the elements in the winter

### PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

- The band typically plays between 2-3 hours, which includes a break. An example would be If we start at 6:30pm we try to finish before 10pm to keep peace in your neighborhood.
- We play 2 sets of 12-15 songs each set but we can 3 sets requested in advance.
- We have lots of songs in our playbook but we prefer to stick to our set playlist.
- Typically the first set is background music.
- After dinner we do our best to get people up and dancing.
- Between sets we have an iPod playing music... you are welcome to plug in yours!
- We also can play "unplugged" as background music

### MISC

- Please use our equipment as a PA system to make announcements.
- We love having people sing with us. Please feel free join us on stage with voice or instruments.
- If you request a song we will try to fake it... if we know it... but no promises.
- We will use Google Earth to view your backyard.

**We try to be flexible so share your thoughts and we will do our best to accommodate you.**

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