

FAQ for Pink Martini, featuring *Oregon! Oregon!* with the 234th Army Band

Pink Martini, along with The 234th Army Band, is performing a special production of "Oregon! Oregon!" to celebrate the 150th Birthday of the state of Oregon. This show was originally slated to take place at Memorial Coliseum, but has just officially moved to the zoo. Everyone who had previously purchased tickets to the Coliseum show has received an email instructing them to refund their tickets and giving them the link to purchase tickets for this show. No Coliseum refunds will take place at the zoo, and everyone must have a Tickets Oregon ticket for the zoo in order to enter this show.

DATE

Saturday, September 5

TIME

7 – 10 p.m.

234th Army Band	7 – 7:25 p.m.
Set Change/Break	7:25 – 7:45 p.m.
Oregon! Oregon!	7:45 – 8:30 p.m.
Set Change/Break	8:30 – 8:50 p.m.
Pink Martini	8:50 – 9:50 p.m.

TICKET PRICE

\$18

TICKET SELLER

Ticketsoregon.com (with \$2 service fee) http://ticketsoregon.com/index.php?event_id=262
and Oregon Zoo (in-person sales only, no service fees)

WHAT IS "OREGON! OREGON!"??

Hold on to your myrtle wood as Pink Martini and the Oregon National Guard 234th Army Band and Oregon 150 present "Oregon! Oregon! 2009: A sesquicentennial fable in IV acts," which will debut August 28, 2009 at the Oregon State Fair and then tour the state – the icing on the cake of the state's 150th birthday party.

In 1959 – to celebrate the Oregon's centennial (100th birthday) – the Blitz-Weinhard Brewing Company commissioned the Grammy Award-winning radio personality Stan Freberg to write a 21-minute-long musical comedy about the beaver state. What resulted was a hilarious tale of two explorers in 1859 named Harry and David, their encounter with a witch, and the subsequent birth of a state which must go back into the bottle after 100 years ... that is, if the citizens of 1959 can't break the spell. Sound confusing?

Well, because a team of Oregonians – including Metro Council President David Bragdon, 'Chariots of Fire' conductor Harry Rabinowitz (age 92), Thomas Lauderdale of Pink Martini, PICA Flash Choir's Sarah Dougher & Pat Janowski and the writers of Livewire! – have teamed up to write a new Act IV ... complete with brand new songs and rollicking plot! Unlike the 1959 "Oregon! Oregon!" the show is being performed live, with Pink Martini and the Oregon 234th Army Band joined by a surprise cast of special Oregonians.

CONCERT DATES AND VENUES

8/28: Opening night, Oregon State Fair, Salem
8/29: Les Schwab Amphitheater, Bend
8/30: The Britt Festival, Jacksonville
9/5: Oregon Zoo, Portland

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

TICKETS

Where can I buy the tickets?

Tickets can be purchased at the Oregon Zoo office (in person only), or at www.ticketsoregon.com

Is there a service charge?

There is no service charge for purchases at the Oregon Zoo Office.

All online orders through Tickets Oregon have a \$2 service fee, plus an additional 3% per order processing fee.

Can I just come to the zoo early and stay for the show?

No. We close the concert area at 4 p.m. and only allow valid concert ticket-holders in at 5 p.m.

What is your sell-out capacity?

3,700

Is there assigned seating or general admission only?

All tickets are general admission. There are limited reserved blanket spots available for purchase through Tickets Oregon (check the VIP section for more information on this).

Can I hold a spot for my friends?

You are allowed to set a blanket for your friends after 5 p.m., just make sure they have tickets.

Are there group rates?

No.

Does the concert ticket include zoo admission?

Concert tickets include zoo admission after 4 p.m. If you want to come earlier, you will need a zoo membership or separate zoo admission ticket.

FOOD & BEVERAGES

Can I bring in my own food and beverages?

You may bring your own food, but no beverages. All bags, coolers and containers will be searched at the entrance for prohibited items. Beverages brought to a concert can be returned to the owner's vehicle, donated to Oregon Food Bank, or destroyed prior to entrance. We have several free water stations set up, so you are welcome to bring empty, refillable containers for water.

Will there be food and beverages available for purchase?

Yes. Food and beverages available for purchase include:

- Tossed-to-order Caesar salads, (can be topped with either grilled chicken or bay shrimp)
- Barbeque cart, featuring 100% natural burgers, hot dogs and BBQ rib tips with baked beans
- Flatbread sandwiches, including: turkey bacon, cheese steak, chicken Caesar and hummus
- Delicious deserts, like ice cream, elephant ears and other delightful treats
- Black Rhino Coffee Kiosk, serving espresso beverages, coffee & tea, plus various chicken wrap sandwiches, hummus plate, hot dogs and Higher Taste Buzzitos
- Treats such as snow cones, elephant ears, popcorn, chips cookies and cotton candy
- Beverages - sodas, lemonade, iced tea, espresso, coffee, domestic beers and microbrews, premium regional wines by the glass or bottle, hard lemonade and hard cider

WHAT TO BRING AND PROHIBITED ITEMS

Do I need ID?

It's always a good idea to carry an ID with you, but you will only need it for picking up will call tickets or purchasing alcohol.

Can I bring chairs?

Yes. While we don't regulate the size of chairs that are allowed on the lawn, please bring low chairs as a courtesy to those around you. We also have a limited number of chairs available for rent (\$4 each + \$20 returnable deposit).

Can I bring a blanket?

Yes. In fact, we have a blankets-only section of the lawn for those who don't want to worry about seeing over chairs in front of them.

What is not allowed in the zoo or at the concert?

The list includes but is not limited to: balls, Frisbees, kites, balloons, pets, alcohol, weapons, fireworks and beverages from outside the park.

What is your camera policy?

Most artists do not allow any recording, and zoo security will enforce their wishes. We will announce before the show if the artist allows photography or not. Please check the policy of the individual artist before bringing your equipment to the zoo. Anyone found not complying with the announced policy will have their equipment removed at the request of the artist's management.

Are outside animals/pets allowed?

The only outside animals/pets allowed are service animals that assist a person with a specific disability. This is for the safety of everyone, including the animal residents of the zoo.

Are cell phones acceptable on the concert lawn?

No. We want everyone to enjoy the show without any distractions. If you need to take a call, please be courteous and take the call elsewhere.

Is there a blanket/chair limit?

There is no limit, but you should only take up enough space for the number of people that you have, as we have limited blanket space.

OTHER INFORMATION**How do I get disability accommodations?**

We have two sections on the concert lawn reserved for guests (+ 1 companion each) that need accessible seating. If sitting in one of these areas doesn't suit you, please arrive at the concert ticket-taking area by 4:45 p.m. We will give you entrance 10 minutes before the rest of the concert ticket-holders to find a spot on the lawn that best meets your needs. If you require accessibility accommodations or have any other needs we can assist you with, please contact us in advance at events@oregonzoo.org or by calling 503-220-5764.

What about accessible parking?

We have approximately 20 accessible parking spaces near the entrance of the zoo that are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

What time does the show begin and end?

The show begins at 7 p.m. and will be finished between 9:30 – 10 p.m.

When can I arrive?

The concerts all start at 7 p.m. but it's a good idea to get here early for good seats. Your ticket will allow you into the Zoo at 4 p.m. at the day of the concert. The amphitheatre portion of the zoo is closed at 4 p.m. for the sound check, and then opened at 5 p.m. for concert ticket-holders.

Where can I get cash while I'm on grounds?

There is an ATM machine located at AfriCafe by the concert lawn.

Will there be space be available in the picnic area behind the concert lawn?

This area is generally available for concert-goers. However, if another group has the space reserved, we may not be able to use the area for general admission.

Can I bring an umbrella for use during the show?

Umbrellas are allowed before the show, but once the show begins, we ask out of respect for others in the audience that you take them down.

Will I be able to smoke at the concert?

We have two designated smoking areas with ash buckets for your convenience. One is behind the SE corner of the concert lawn; the other is between the beer cart and AfriCafé. There is no smoking on the actual concert lawn or anywhere else in the zoo.

Where do I park?

We highly encourage you to take the MAX for ease in parking. But if you need to drive, and the zoo lot is full, there will be a shuttle lot. You can take the zoo exit off Hwy 26, and there will be signs to point you in the right direction.

Can I visit the animals?

Absolutely! Your ticket allows you to enter the zoo after 4 p.m. and once inside you are free to visit the animals until the zoo grounds close and the show starts, at 7 p.m.

Will there be merchandise available for sale?

Each artist brings with them their own merchandise, which will be available for purchase by the stage, before, during and after the show. In addition, the zoo will have its gift shop open at the concert lawn.

Do you allow re-entry to the Concert?

Once you have exited the main gates we do not allow re-entry into the concert.

RESERVED BLANKET PACKAGES**How will the seating be determined?**

Blankets will be assigned to a row and seat grouping based upon when the order was confirmed.

Where is the blanket reservation section located?

They are located on the second tier of the concert lawn, which is the same tier as the main soundboard. This is a prime spot for viewing the show, even when people are dancing in front of the stage.

How many people are allowed per blanket?

The limit is two individuals per blanket, ages 3 and up. One child 2 yrs. or younger may also occupy the blanket.

Can I bring my own chairs or blankets?

While we encourage you to bring your own blanket for when the sun goes down and it gets chilly, personal chairs or blankets are not allowed in the Reserved Blanket area.

My friends and I are planning on purchasing one of the blanket packages. Will we be able to sit together?

We cannot guarantee that your reserved space will be next to your friends. However we will make every effort possible to accommodate these special requests. Requests can be emailed to vip.concert@oregonzoo.org

How do I get to my reserved space on the lawn?

Enter the zoo through the main zoo gates. You will pass through a security checkpoint. Please make sure you leave any prohibited items at home. Signs will direct you to the concert lawn. The blanket reservation section is just off the path that leads down to the main stage where the soundboard is. The VIP service staff will help get you settled in.

How do I buy a blanket reservation? Are they available for purchase at the Zoo?

Blanket reservations available for purchase through the Tickets Oregon website only and are not available at the Zoo.

What happens after I purchase my package/ reservation?

After you have purchased your package, Tickets Oregon will email you a confirmation. You print your tickets at home yourself. Please note that blanket reservation tickets are purchased for two people, so one ticket is good for two people. All other concert tickets are only valid for one person. A few days prior to the concert you will receive an email from vip.concert@oregonzoo.org that will provide some additional information.

Note: You may need to add vip.concert@oregonzoo.org to your approved list of email addresses to receive this information.

Can I bring my own alcohol?

No. Outside alcohol is not permitted on the zoo grounds and will be confiscated and destroyed. However, beer and wine will be available for purchase near the concert lawn.

What do I bring to the zoo on the night of the concert?

Firstly, a valid concert ticket for anyone aged 3 and up. You may also want to bring a blanket to wrap up inside in case it gets a little chilly. And of course a lot of energy, just in case you feel like dancing!