

INTRODUCING...



GABY MORENO

¡Viva el Arte de Santa Bárbara! presents Gaby Moreno and her band, March 8 – 11, 2018!

All of her life, from the time she was a little girl in Guatemala, Gaby Moreno wanted to be a singer. As she was growing up, there was always music in the family home.

When Gaby was 13, her family went on vacation to New York, and Gaby heard the blues for the first time. She convinced her mother to buy a suitcase full of records and tapes to take home to Guatemala. Back home Gaby spent hours listening to the songs by great American jazz and blues singers – Robert Flack, Aretha Franklin, and Ella Fitzgerald, to name a few. Gaby practiced singing along with the recordings, learning music and style from the greats and also learning English, stopping to look up vocabulary words when she needed to. (Now Gaby is bilingual and performs in Spanish and English.)



After high school Gaby moved to Los Angeles to pursue her education and her music. She had to work hard and success did not come right away but she followed her passion and commitment.



In 2006 Gaby won the John Lennon Songwriting Contest in the Latin category. In 2008 she began making recordings - she has five albums so far. She co-wrote the famous theme music for “Parks and Recreation” which was nominated for an Emmy in 2010. She awarded a Latin Grammy for “Best New Artist” in 2013. In 2016 Gaby recorded the theme song for Elena of Avalor on the Disney Channel and in 2017 she was nominated for a Grammy award for Best Latin Pop Album.

Besides listening to and learning from great songs from generations past, Gaby is interested in vintage guitars. One of her favorites is an electric guitar from 1937 that used to belong to a blues singer named Memphis Minnie.

COME HEAR GABY MORENO IN CONCERT!



Bring your family and friends to these FREE performances by Gaby Moreno and her band:

Friday, March 9 • 7 pm • Isla Vista School

Saturday, March 10 • 7 pm • Guadalupe City Hall

Sunday, March 11 • 7 pm • Marjorie Luke Theatre, Santa Barbara Jr. High

Sources

For more information and updates see: www.facebook.com/VivaelArteSB

Gaby Moreno's official bio <https://www.gaby-moreno.com/>

Gaby at the 2015 Hispanic Heritage awards singing *Amapola* and *Quizás*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HJIJKgnXW2g>

Gaby Moreno sings *Cucurrucucú* with Chris Thile
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2FWduHf35AI>

Ella Fitzgerald sings *It Don't Mean a Thing If It Ain't Got That Swing*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMFlejZgJSM>

Gaby Moreno interview
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WDkB05_iqPk