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Shake it Up at the Lafayette Art & Wine Festival

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Both days will feature free live music on four stages. Photo Gint Federas

recreates conditions similar to those that would be experienced in a home earthquake. The goal of the Big Shaker is to demonstrate what an earthquake can feel like and show what can happen to household possessions if they are not secured.

While most of residents cannot change the downtown buildings, the freeway, or BART tracks, they can avoid damage to possessions and personal injury on the inside of their homes by securing items such as upright pieces of furniture, books on high shelves, and glass on the walls. The Big Shaker is sponsored by the Lafayette Emergency Preparedness Commission.

Festival Food, Music and Fun

The 2015 Lafayette Art and Wine Festival - which includes music with four live stages, 21 cover bands, over 260 artist booths, a KidZone, and great food - will be held from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20 in downtown Lafayette, just steps from the Lafayette BART station, near bike trails (complimentary valet bike parking provided), two blocks off Hwy 24, and an easy walk/shuttle from complimentary festival parking. Dozens of food vendors and food trucks will offer everything from hickory smoked pulled pork tacos to crab cakes, while popular wines, beers and ales are served throughout the festival. The Premium Wine and Craft Beer Pavilion will feature selections of high-end wines and craft beer that most people never get a chance to taste, including wines from the backyard vineyards of Lamorinda. The event is produced by the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the City of Lafayette and Eckerstrom Productions.

For more information, visit www.lafayettefestival.com. For a schedule of concerts, visit lafayettefestival.com/music.

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