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## Postcard-perfect start for festival fun in Lamorinda

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and traditionally made paella, served steaming hot. All this, plus multiple stages providing dramatic entertainment and - what Art & Wine is known for - fantastic bands that rocked the crowd with Tom Petty and Tower of Power covers, in addition to country and alternative rock favorites, much to the delight of the dancers who swayed to the rhythm and played air guitar in front of the stages.

What about art? Colorful booths featured a plethora of handcrafted tchotchkes as well as fine art sculpture, painting and photography. Local public agencies also staffed booths with giveaways aimed at providing festival-goers with information on safety, transportation, sustainability and free city and county services.

But in the end, the Art & Wine Festival is what it has always been about: having good, old fashioned fun - something Lafayette does very, very well. Next up in Lamorinda? The Moraga Pear & Wine Festival is just around the corner, and will feature food, wine, live music, kids' activities and community booths from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30 at Moraga Commons Park.

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