



Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association

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MEDIA ALERT

51ST ANNUAL GARDEN GROVE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPECIAL KIDS DAY

*2,000 Special Needs Kids
Enjoy Day of Free Fun & Food*



Sabrina Lentini

Lauren Rigau

Alexandra Rieger

(PLEASE, NO ADVANCE COVERAGE! DAY-OF COVERAGE ONLY, SINCE THIS EVENT IS NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND WE WANT TO PREVENT CRASHERS.)

WHAT: The Strawberry Festival, a tradition since 1958, will host its annual Special Kids Day, opening its event one day early to over 2,000 mentally and physically challenged children for a day of FREE rides, food, fun, stuffed animals and entertainment!

WHO: More than 2,000 special needs children bussed in from Garden Grove and surrounding communities will share in a special day just for them. To help them “**Kids with a Cause**” young celebrity **film and TV stars, Sabrina Lentini** (10 year old national anthem singer and prodigy), **Lauren Rigau** (The Inner Circle, Medium, Teen Talk) and **Alexandra Rieger** (Akeelah and the Bee, Bee Season), have volunteered their time to help guests enjoy the fun of the Festival. This event is chaired by Garden Grove Strawberry Festival board director Dawn Miller.

WHEN: Thursday, May 21, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: The Village Green, Garden Grove, California
12862 Euclid Avenue (Exit Euclid/Garden Grove Freeway)

2009 FESTIVAL DATES: Friday, May 22 through Monday, May 25, 2009.

The 51st Annual Garden Grove Strawberry Festival, whose theme is “Honoring Our Healthcare Heroes,” will be held Memorial Day Weekend Friday, May 22nd through Monday, May 25th, at the Village Green between Main and Euclid in downtown Garden Grove. Festivities open to the general public begin Friday, May 22nd at 6 p.m. with a giant strawberry shortcake cutting ceremony. The parade starts Saturday at 10 a.m. with floats and bands. All four days offer carnival rides, fabulous food, and entertainment, plus contests for the Berry, Berry Beautiful Baby, Tiny Tots King and Queen, the prettiest redhead and best Karaoke singers. Admission is free. For information, visit www.strawberryfestival.org or call 714-638-0981.

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