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Need I say more...

We (The Great American Songbook) shut down before St. Patrick's Day (March 17th) as did most groups around our lovely little

spot in Mexico.

Paul Brier had surgeries scheduled up in Texas (all going very well) and the shut down was coming. **Bob Myers** and I have been in town but nowhere to play.

We had a small memorial for our dear friend **Jimmy Barto** and had another planned when ka-ka hit the fan... so do keep an eye out for that event... hopefully soon.

I have mixed feelings about all of this right now because Friday night as my wife and I were getting home from dinner-out I had a bad fall down my front stairs (4 of them) backwards. I came out of it pretty good except my left wrist, which I found out today from my visit to the hospital, is not broken but badly dislocated... so that's going to take a couple of weeks to get back in shape.

So it is onward and upward as things get going again for bands, as it is pretty hard to "socially distance" yourself from each other on stage... we will overcome.

My wife and I have been getting out to places like Adelita Bar & Grill, La Bodega, La Cima and others and it is great to see some of the players back and really great to see people out enjoying themselves even though it is limited seating... make sure to make reservations AND if something comes up you can't make it... PLEASE, PLEASE call and tell the club so they can get somebody else in.

The latter is a problem at the best of times but very much a problem with the limited seating!

"Try to Always Have Fun!"

For the week of June 29th to July 5th, 2020

AROUND THE RESTAURANTS AND BARS

MONDAY



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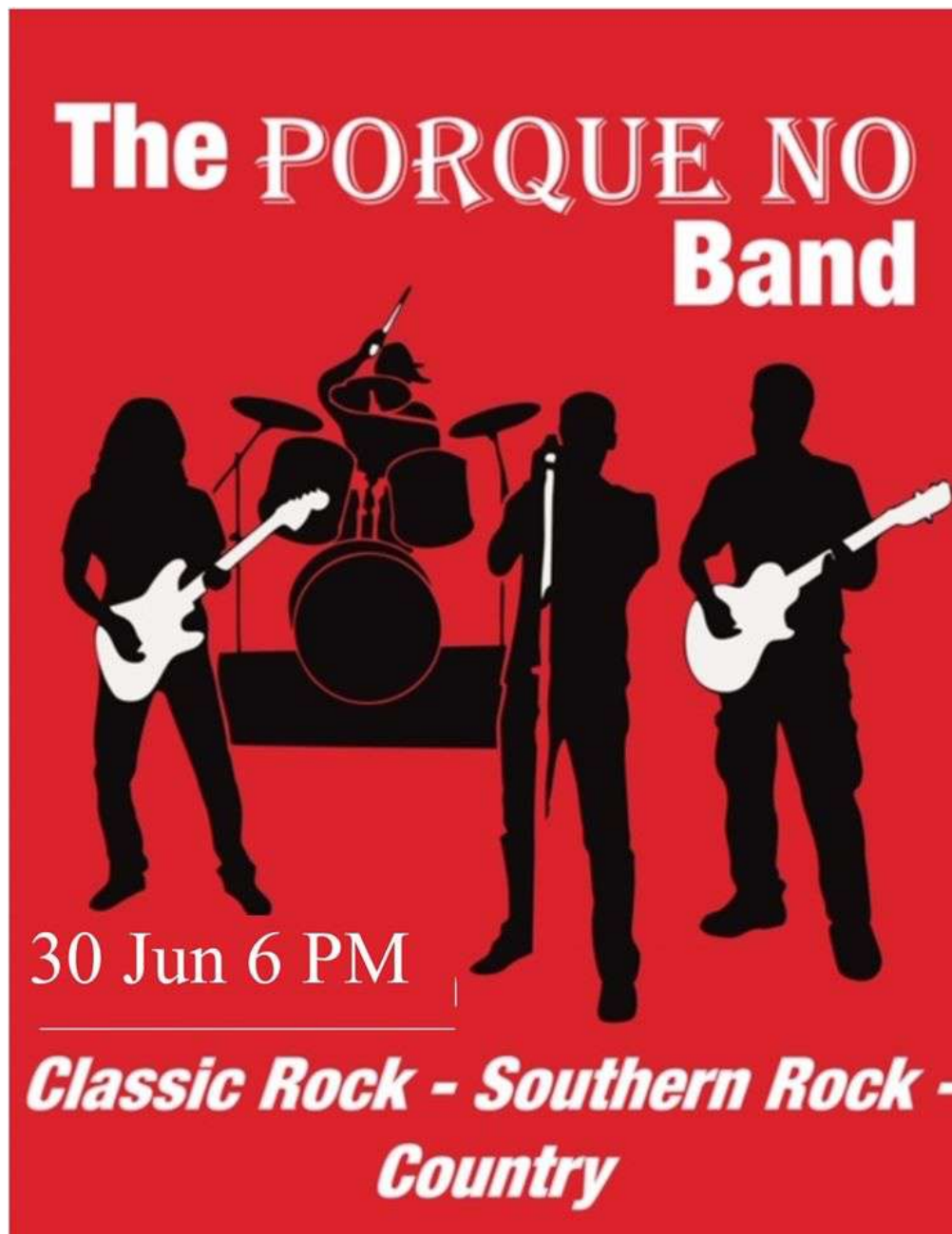
2 for 1 margaritas!

Monday June 29 6pm to 8pm

Adelita Bar & Grill

Adelita Bar & Grill features **Daniel Cordero** from **6 to 8 PM**. Seating is limited so make your reservation now at **766-0097**.

TUESDAY



La Bodega Restaurante & Bar presents **The Porque No Band...** Limited seating and reservations may be made at **766-1002**.

WEDNESDAY



Jul 1, 6:30 pm

FEW PLACES



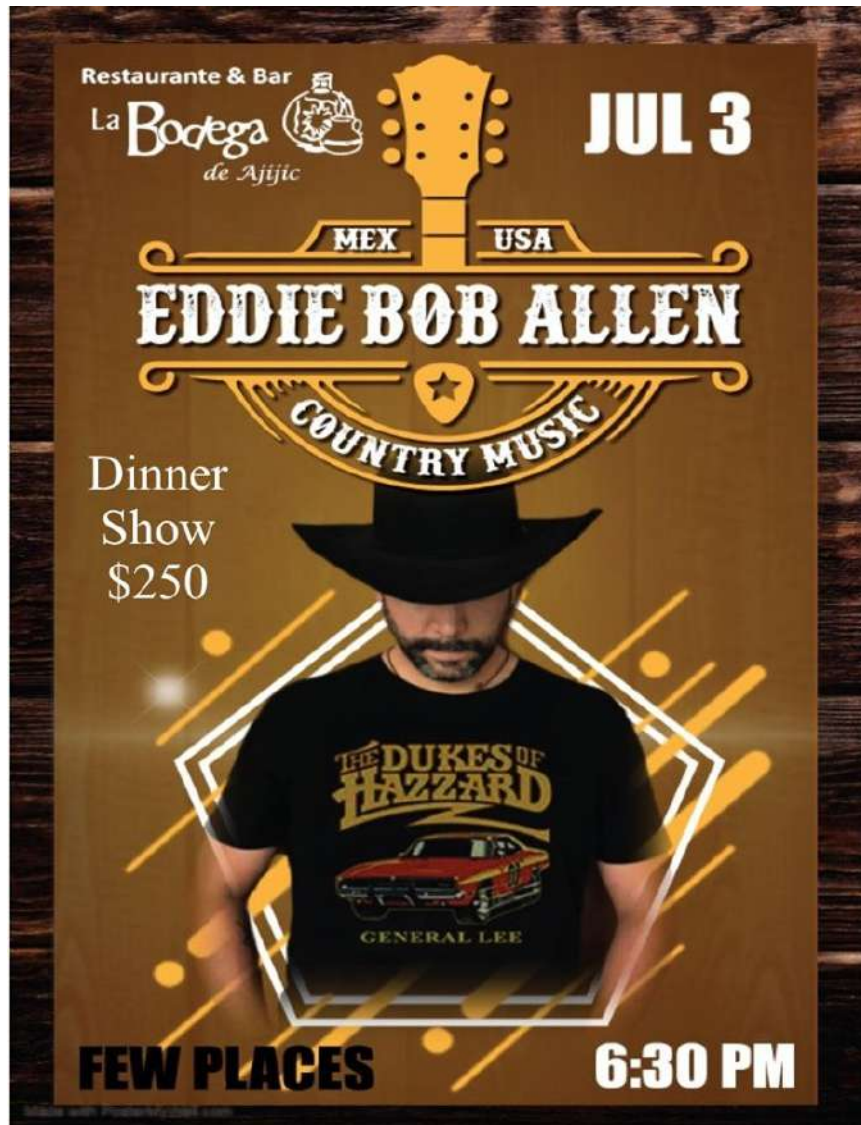
Don't ya dare miss out on a great couple of hours with the very talented **Jonathan Guzman** starting at **4:15 PM** at **La Cima del Copal**. You can phone **(387) 761-0405** for reservations. And as I have said before... don't forget your camera... what a setting! The restaurant is located just at the west end of "restaurant row"... you will see the big palapa up on the cliff on the mountain side of the Carretera. Just as you round the last bend make a right!

THURSDAY



This young man is from San Miguel Aliende and went over well last week. Remember, seating is limited so make your reservations right now at **766-0097**.

FRIDAY



Catch this new act at **La Bodega Restaurante & Bar** in Ajijic! Remember seating is limited so make a reservation by calling **766-1002**.

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Once again we have a wide choice of what to see. There are musicals, plays, operas and ballets at our fingertips. **Just click on the live link below the picture.**



[A Midsummer Night's Dream](#)

2 hours 40 minutes

Available on demand until Thursday, July 2 at 1:00 pm CST

'The course of true love never did run smooth.'

A feuding fairy King and Queen of the forest cross paths with four runaway lovers and a troupe of actors trying to rehearse a play. As their dispute grows, the magical royal couple meddle with mortal lives leading to love triangles, mistaken identities and transformations... with hilarious, but dark consequences.

Shakespeare's most famous romantic comedy was filmed live from the Bridge Theatre in London. Gwendoline Christie (*Game of Thrones*), Oliver Chris (*Green Wing*, *NT Live: Young Marx*), David Moorst (*NT Live: Allelujah!*) and Hammed Animashaun (*The Barber Shop Chronicles*) lead the cast as Titania, Oberon, Puck and Bottom.



Reasons to be Cheerful

A Raucous Musical

2 hours 3 minutes duration

Available until August 3

To date, the company's most successful show has been the **musical Reasons to be Cheerful**, a raucous raunch inspired by punk rocker Ian Dury, who died in 2000, and his band The Blockheads. It first toured in 2010, then in 2012, when it was a one-off gig at the London paralympics opening ceremony, and the show was revived again in 2017, when this performance at London's Theatre Royal Stratford East was videoed.



[The Grinning Man](#)

A Musical (from Bristol Old Vic)

Approximately 2 hours in duration

Trailer [here](#)

Available from June 26 to July 1

The critically acclaimed new musical **The Grinning Man** had a hugely successful premiere at **Bristol Old Vic** where it received nightly standing ovations in 2015 and transferred to the West End for a limited season in 2017. From Tony Award-winning director Tom Morris (*War Horse*), Kneehigh writer Carl Grose and featuring “an outstanding score” by Tim Phillips and Marc Teitler.

The musical is based on Victor Hugo's *The Man Who Laughs*. A review from The Times: "This stunning new British musical demands to be seen. I simply loved it."

A strange new act has arrived at the fairground. Who is Grinpayne and how did he get his hideous smile? Helped by an old man, a lone wolf and a blind girl, his story must be told.

The epic tale of an abandoned child with a terrible secret. A disfigured youth who is desperate to hide and a sightless girl who longs to be discovered. Let the darkness seduce you.

The hit musical *The Grinning Man* will be streamed for a week.



The Magic Flute

2 hours 34 minutes duration

Royal Opera

Available until July 3

As well as being a comedy, The Magic Flute is an expression of Mozart's profound spiritual beliefs: Enlightenment concerns with the search for wisdom and virtue are at the heart of this enchanting tale. The Magic Flute was an instant success with audiences and Mozart's supposed rival Salieri described it as an 'operone' – a great opera.



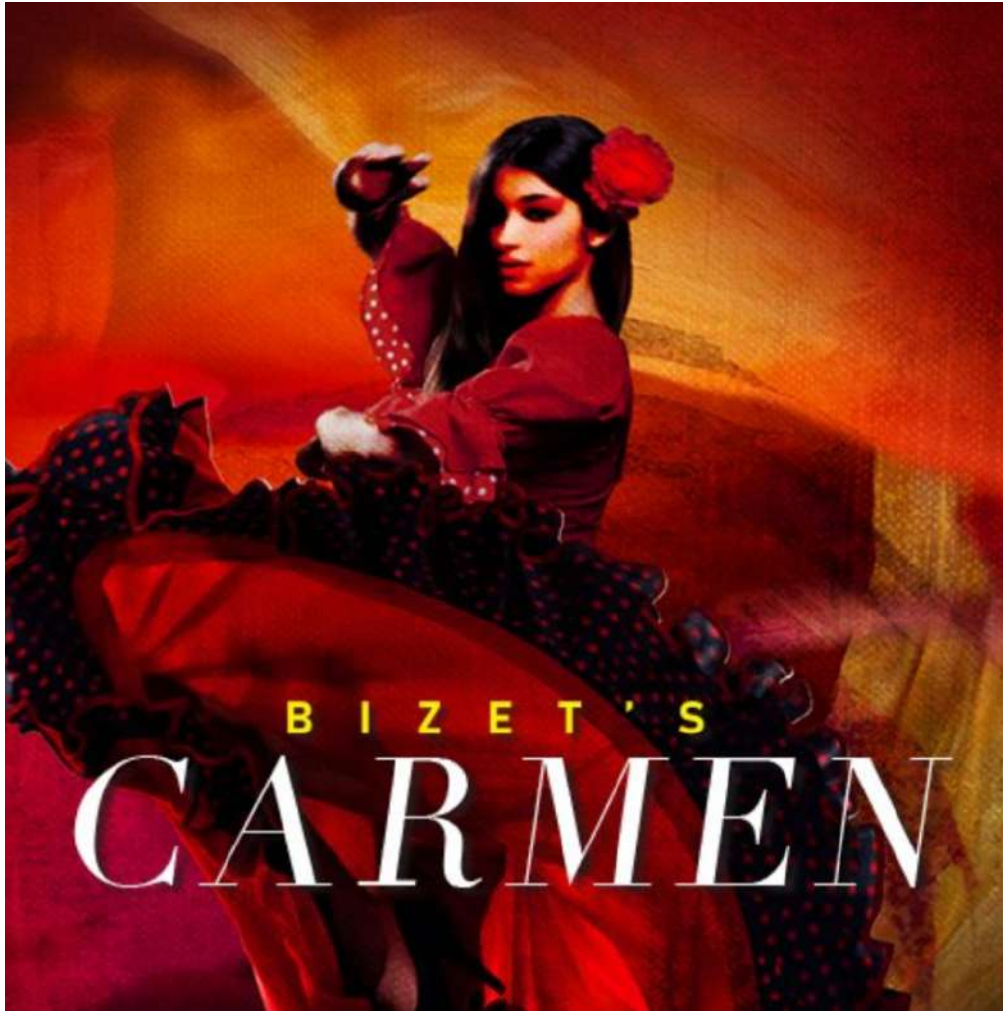
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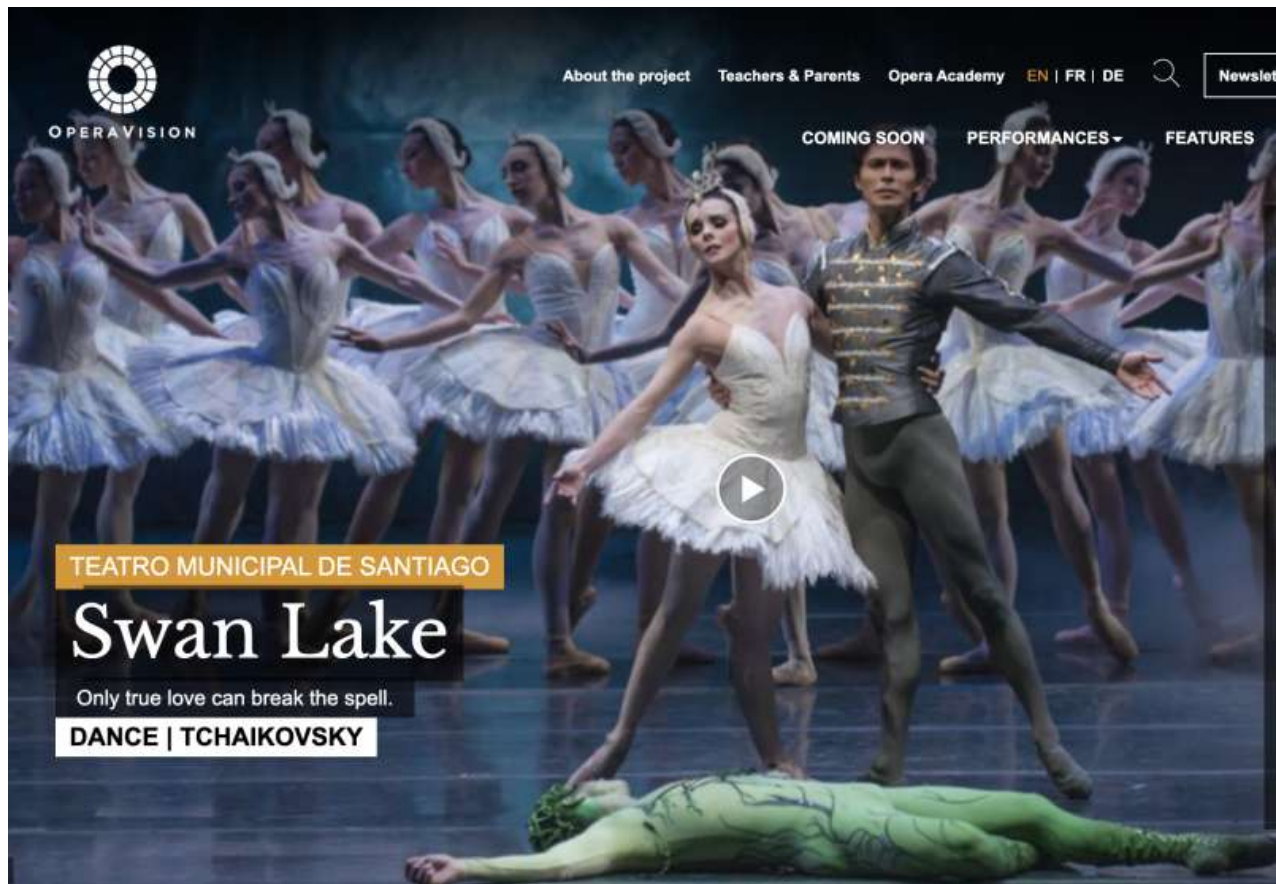
Carmen

at La Scala

2 hours and 30 minutes duration

Carmen is an opera in four acts by French composer Georges Bizet. Bizet's Carmen has everything you want from an opera: high drama, passionate characters, a love story. And what's more it's absolutely packed with great melodies – even if you don't know the opera, you'll definitely know the tunes.

First and foremost – the music is nothing short of awesome. Bizet wrote a fair few great works – the *Te Deum* for a start – but in *Carmen* he really went up a gear in terms of writing entrancing melodies.



Swan Lake

Teatro Municipal de Santiago

2 hours and 19 minutes duration

"**Swan Lake**" is a timeless love story that mixes magic, tragedy, and romance into four acts. It features Prince Siegfried and a lovely swan princess named Odette. Under the spell of a sorcerer, Odette spends her days as a swan swimming on a lake of tears and her nights in her beautiful human form. The couple quickly falls in love.

There are so many things available, many that we have written about before. Please explore the link by clicking [here](#).

Special Shows

Check out these videos for some upcoming events at **Oui Oui** in Ajijic Centro. Three specials starting with **Canada Day** this Wednesday, July 1st, **USA Independence Day** on Saturday, July 4th and **Bastille Day** (France) on Tuesday, July 14th. For more information go to the videos at the link below:

<https://vimeo.com/430579984>

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AND a special one at:

<https://vimeo.com/425618102>

Tickets are advance sale for all three events and you can call **Oui Oui** at **766-1369** for more information.

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Well that's all I got for this week... as I said, I sure am looking forward to things picking up soon... I really don't believe this could possibly be "the new normal"... there is absolutely nothing normal about it!

And instead of watching the very boring "blow by blow" of the latest Covid-19 statistics... have a look at some of the wonderful productions coming from Lakeside Little Theatre above... wonderful.

I look forward to seeing you somewhere... SOON!

Regards,

Francis Dryden

PS – If you run onto any events I've missed or know of something coming up that has **LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**, please have someone from the group or the venue send me a message. Thanks for subscribing and if you wish to **unsubscribe** my e-mail address is: **francis.dryden@gmail.com**.

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