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## ***The Righteous Brothers' Bill Medley Graces the Lewis Family Playhouse Stage For A Special Benefit Performance In "An Intimate Evening With Righteous Brothers' Bill Medley," Saturday, July 26th***

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**Rancho Cucamonga, California** - Join us for an evening of classic hits as legendary performer and one-half of the 1960's duo *The Righteous Brothers* ', Bill Medley, prepares a special benefit performance in *An Intimate Evening With Righteous Brothers' Bill Medley*, Saturday, July 26, 2014 at 8:00 pm. All proceeds from Bill Medley's show will benefit the Rancho Cucamonga Community & Arts Foundation. All seats are priced at \$50.00 for this special one-night only performance.

"We are so excited to bring Bill Medley into the community with a benefit performance at the Playhouse," said Jim Harrington, Rancho Cucamonga Community & Arts Foundation Board Chair. "Proceeds raised from this benefit performance will go directly to the Foundation to assist our efforts in supporting quality arts programming at the Lewis Family Playhouse."

Bill Medley is a seminal figure in the history of American music creating an ultra- dramatic take on Sixties pop romance. Experience Medley's unmistakable baritone voice as he serenades the audience with songs he helped make

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famous including “You’ve Lost That Lovin’ Feeling,” “Just Once in My Life,” “Unchained Melody,” and the Oscar-winning theme song from *Dirty Dancing*, “(I’ve Had) The Time Of My Life.”

Born in Los Angeles and raised in Orange County’s Santa Ana, Medley always had a passion for music. His father led a big band and played saxophone and his mother was a singer and piano player. Naturally, Medley gravitated to glee club and amateur singing contests during his youth, but it wasn’t until he heard the music of Ray Charles and Little Richard that the idea of making music for a living seemed feasible. “When I heard Little Richard,” he reflects, “I knew I wanted to do that. When I heard Ray Charles, I knew I needed to do that.”

Bill Medley met the late inimitable Bobby Hatfield, and formed *The Righteous Brothers* in 1963 forever changing the sound of popular music. The term "blue-eyed soul" was born. On March 10, 2003, *The Righteous Brothers* were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. The induction came just months before Bobby Hatfield’s unexpected death. Medley not only lost his singing partner...he had lost a close friend whom he’d known since his late-teens. After a period of mourning, Medley made the decision to continue touring as a solo artist.

Bill Medley has produced hits in the 60’s, 70’s, 80’s and 90’s winning a Grammy, Golden Globe, Oscar, American Music Award and Video of the Year. Medley shows no signs of slowing down anytime soon, keeping to a rigorous tour schedule so he may share his love of music night after night with all of his loyal fans.

Founded in 1987, the Rancho Cucamonga Community & Arts Foundation’s Mission is to generously support arts programming at the Victoria Gardens Cultural Center. Along with its many funding partners, the Foundation provides support to augment and support Rancho Cucamonga Community Theatre, MainStreet Theatre Company and Broadway at the Gardens, plus provides annual support for the World Music Series in the Bank of America Imagination Courtyard, and more – creating community through the performing arts. For more information on the Foundation and its upcoming fundraising events, visit [www.RCCAAF.org](http://www.RCCAAF.org)

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An intimate, 536-seat venue, the Lewis Family Playhouse is the crown jewel of the three-acre, 89,000-square-foot Victoria Gardens Cultural Center. The complex at 12505 Cultural Center Drive and is conveniently located off the I-15 at Foothill Boulevard, as a major anchor of Victoria Gardens. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday from noon to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., with free parking available.

**For more information** - For additional information or to purchase tickets for **An Intimate Evening With Righteous Brothers' Bill Medley**, visit [www.lewisfamilyplayhouse.com](http://www.lewisfamilyplayhouse.com) or call (909) 477-2752 or (877) 858-8422.

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