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Five local shows over the next two weeks

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**Buddy Banter, Mini Death, Teenage Exorcists, and The Stupid Daikini at U31 Wednesday, July 9 9 p.m. \$6+**

Two San Diego bands and two Riverside acts split this lineup right down the middle. With common threads to these groups, we think this will incite less battling bands and more band bonding. All four have a touch of garage rock with lo-fi attitude. Buddy Banter bring a little psychedelic pop to their headlining position. Mini Death up the pop ante with some retro doo-wop vibes. Teenage Exorcists follow suit throwing some extra fuzziness on top of their rock 'n' roll numbers. And The Stupid Daikini will be kick

starting it all with a little punk driven ukulele. Yes, ukulele.

**Trio Gadjo at Ortega's Bistro Thursday, July 10, 7 p.m. Free**

This eclectic trio focuses on a genre called gypsy jazz, but is well versed in many styles. The busy group has played together for over five years and pops up all over town. The latest on their lineup, Ortega's is hosting latin-inspired groups every Thursday night through July so expect the trio to bring some of that rhythmic inspiration to their set. Their lively music should make a great accompaniment a night on the town.

**The Growlers and White Fang at North Park Theatre Friday, July 11, doors at 7 p.m. \$25+**

Psychedelic rockers The Growlers seem a great fit for North Park Theatre. Their layered and sound has garnered them loads of fans, which will

undoubtedly sell out the premier venue. The band genre-bends from surf-pop to Doors-inspired gritty rock — making their live shows a thing of legend. The combination of classic styles and contemporary flair match the historical theater's recent resurrection into the rock music scene. Don't miss this one!

**She-Fest featuring Christine Sako, The Lovebirds, Sister Speak and more at North Park Community Park Saturday, July 12, event starts at 11 a.m., music at noon Free (Or get a She Fest T-shirt for \$15 donation)**

A precursor to San Diego Pride, She-Fest is taking place for the first time ever and it's free! The all-women event includes booths, activities, workshops, and, of course, a killer line-up of lady musicians. The Lovebirds are not only a mesmerizing folk-indie duo but also romantic exes — how's that for raw emotional material? And the final act of the day Sister Speak have dreamy



Psychedelic surf-rockers The Growlers play North Park Theatre on July 11. (Photo by Taylor Bonin)

tunes rooted in blues and alt-rock. Their song "Rise Up For Love" may just be the perfect anthem for this inaugural event. SDpride.org has more info and tickets.

**91X's Next Big Thing with Meg Myers and Gayle Skidmore at the Casbah Tuesday, July 15, 7:30 p.m.**

**91 cents at the door** When local rock radio station 91X puts their "Next Big

Thing" stamp on an artist, it's wise to take note. Past performers include Imagine Dragons, Atlas Genius, Awolnation, and many others who skyrocketed nationally after their turn as NBT. This could easily be your last chance to see Meg Myers in such an intimate setting—and for such a killer price. Her voice ranges from pretty and pure to brutal and raging — reminiscent of other bold enchantresses like Tori Amos and Fiona Apple. ♦

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