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City of Yakima parks will be alive with the sound of music - and movies - during three different series that begin this week.

"The idea is to encourage families to bring blankets or lawn chairs and enjoy the free concerts and films outdoors," said Parks & Recreation Manager Ken Wilkinson. "The community is invited to relax and listen to great music or watch family films in a beautiful park."

The Summer Sunset Concert Series at Franklin Park, 2101 Tieton Drive, will kick things off on Friday, July 12th with Bart Roderick & Friends. Other performances - all from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Fridays - include Camille Bloom on July 19th, Snaccs on July 26th, Ian McFeron Band on August 2nd, Cosmos's Dream on August 9th and the Joe Brooks Quartet on August 16th.

The Viva La Musica Concert Series also returns and this again will be held at two City parks from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm each Sunday evening.

Viva La Musica begins Sunday, July 14th at Miller Park, on the corner of North 4th Street and East E Street, with Rebeldes de la Sierra. Miller Park will also host Victor Manuel y su Nueva Juventud on July 21st, and Los Plebes de Tierra Caliente on July 28th.

Martin Luther King Jr. Park, on the corner of South 8th Street and East Beech Street, will feature Viva La Musica concerts by Liberados on August 4th, La Cuarta Generacion DTC on August 11th, and Senal de Oaxaco on August 18th.

Viva La Musica's finale for this summer will be from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on September 15th at Miller Park. The September 15th finale will feature entertainment by Extremo Sierreno and Mariachi Wenatchee.

As for the movies, the Outdoor Summer Cinema Series returns Sunday, July 14th to the City's Chesterley Park, on the corner of 40th Avenue and River Road. The movies will each begin at sunset, about 8:30 pm, on six consecutive Sundays. The film series begins with "Incredibles 2" on July 14th and continues with "Beethoven" on July 21st, "Kung Fu Panda" on July 28th, "Finding Nemo" on August 4th, "Ralph Breaks the Internet" on August 11th, and "Shazam" on August 19th.

For more information, call 575-6020 or see Page 9 of the City of Yakima Parks and Recreation 2019 Summer Program Guide. The guide is available at <https://yakimaparks.com/assets/2019-Summer-Program-Guide.pdf>