



## 2017 Community Ticket Share

Below is a list of the shows available for the Community Ticket Share program. Interested groups must fill out an online application to attend one performance and may receive up to 60 tickets per event for their organization. Free transportation by bus is also available. Both tickets and buses are allocated on a first come first serve basis.

### **Ford Evening Performances**

Each year the Ford partners with LA County arts organizations to present an eclectic season of culturally diverse music, dance, theatre, film and family events.

**Friday, August 4**

**8:30 PM**

**Samba Society**

**[Brasil 70: Samba / Soul / Resistance](#)**

Samba Society, a collective of musicians deeply rooted in traditional Brazilian music yet influenced by the global rhythms of Los Angeles, has put together an evening featuring artists at the forefront of the LA Brazilian music scene, including MÔForró, Os Zagueiros and Samba Society, as well as special guests Diana Purim, Thalma de Freitas, Marcel Camargo and Tita Lima. Highlighting some of Brazil's most well-known traditional musical genres alongside internationally-influenced hybrid musical forms, *Brasil 70: Samba / Soul / Resistance* will take the audience on a musical journey of socio-political turmoil, viewed through the lens of the 1970s

**Saturday, August 12**

**8:30 PM**

**Pacífico Dance Company**

**[Mexico, de Tierra a Mar](#)**

Celebrating its 25th Anniversary, Pacífico Dance Company will present an evening exploring early Mexican history, myth and folktales through a signature blend of traditional and contemporary dance movements. The Ford stage will be transformed into *Mictlan*, a mythical Aztec world, to recount the rise of the fifth sun. One folktale that will be told through dance is that of *La Llorona*, the weeping woman, a spine-chilling urban legend about a scorned woman who dies of a broken heart that permeates Hispanic world culture. Pacífico will be accompanied by the musical talent of Mariachi Los Toros, a dynamic group of professional musicians whose passion for music is as evident as Pacífico's devotion to the preservation of cultural roots through dance.

**Sunday, September 17**

**7:30 PM**

**Go As If**

**[Astral Progressions](#)**

Virtuoso trumpeter and composer Josef Leimberg will make his Ford Theatres debut performing music from his recent album, *Astral Progressions*, a fusion of cosmic jazz with soul, R&B and hip-hop. Josef appeared on Kendrick Lamar's Grammy Award-winning LP *To Pimp a Butterfly*, and has worked with Snoop Dogg, Erykah Badu, Funkadelic, Thundercat and Dr. Dre, among others. For his Ford performance, he will bring along some of his favorite musicians and collaborators, including soul songstress Jimetta Rose, to perform his signature style of innovative and expansive jazz.

## **Saturday Morning Big World Fun Performances**

The [Big World Fun](#) family series takes place on Saturday mornings at 10:00 AM in July and August. Travel the world without leaving LA, as groups representing music and dance from Mexico, the Mariana Islands, Japan and more enchant and delight. Performances are appropriate for children ages 4 to 12 and their families. Pre-show activities start at 9:00 AM.

**Saturday, July 22**

**10:00 AM**

### **[Grandeza Mexicana Folk Ballet Company](#)**

Grandeza Mexicana Folk Ballet Company's vibrant dancers will bring to life two contrasting cultures of Mexico: the African and European traditions of the southern states and the music and dance of Mexico's northern states that share the music stylings of US Southwest. Join us for this magical journey of fast footwork and colorful costuming!

**Saturday, July 29**

**10:00 AM**

### **[Versa-Style Dance Company](#)**

Prepare to get down as you join Versa-Style Dance Company for a high-energy journey through the history of street dance around the world. This dynamic performance features hip-hop social dances like popping, locking, breaking and house, along with salsa, West African dance and merengue, highlighting how the love of dance brings communities together.

**Saturday, August 5**

**10:00 AM**

### **[TAIKOPROJECT](#)**

With their fresh approach to traditional Japanese taiko drumming, TAIKOPROJECT's high energy show is pure fun. Between songs, TAIKOPROJECT drummers will share taiko history, explore each drum's unique sound and even teach the audience a drumming rhythm or two!

**Saturday, August 12**

**10:00 AM**

### **[Kutturan Chamoru Foundation](#)**

Discover the grace and beauty of traditional Chamoru music and dance from the Micronesian Pacific island of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands. The intricate hand movements and swaying hips of the vibrant tuletí dance (dance of the bird), the precision and power of the uritao (warrior dance) and rhythmic Chamoru drumming revive the ancient ways of the Chamoru culture.