

#### Ozomatli To Headline 9th Annual Eclectic Music Festival and Art Walk

## **Band Celebrates Its 21<sup>ST</sup> Anniversary**

#### **Event Set For May 6**

South Pasadena, CA (February 13, 2017) – *The Eclectic - South Pasadena's Eclectic Music Festival and Art Walk* returns for its ninth year on **Saturday**, **May 6** with Grammy-winning band **OZOMATLI** headlining. The band will kick off the festivities on the Gold Line Stage, playing their original children's music under their moniker **OZOKIDZ**, and will close the festival playing songs from their upcoming album "Non-Stop."

Known for their keen mashup of musical styles like salsa, hip-hop, funk, and rock, OZOMATLI has been a Los Angeles staple and musical influence for two decades. Their songs are notable for their exploration of serious issues like immigration, gang violence, and cultural identity, in addition to the educational music written and performed by OzoKidz. The band will tour in 2017 in support of their new album, which reimagines the classic songbook of Mexico with a reggae vibe.

"We are thrilled to have Ozomatli headline The Eclectic," said Laurie Wheeler, president of the South Pasadena Chamber of Commerce. "South Pasadena is a multicultural community and the band's music reflects the spirit of the city. We're very excited that their energetic live shows will be part of our festival, which is free and open to the public."

The Eclectic's full line-up is currently being confirmed, please check the festival <u>website</u> (<u>www.TheEclectic.Rocks</u>) for the latest updates.

Produced by the South Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with DeepMix Entertainment as well as the City of South Pasadena, *The Eclectic* is a collaboration with local organizations including Friends of the South Pasadena Library, South Pasadena Music Center & Conservatory, and SPARC - South Pasadena Arts Council. Donations to The Eclectic Friends of the Arts in South Pasadena, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, will help keep the festival free.

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