

The New Festival Hotel
SACRAMENTO MARRIOTT RANCHO CORDOVA

11211 Point East Drive
Rancho Cordova, CA 95742
800-228-9290 or 916-638-1100

Our 2014 festival hosted by the Marriott was a resounding success and we're delighted to be back again this year. The hotel is 11 stories and offers some nice views of the Rancho Cordova area. It has a pleasant restaurant and also has an in-house Starbucks with all the usual eats as well as the coffees, etc. Both should have extended hours this year.

We will have six venues, the same as always, which was a key consideration in choosing this hotel. We will again have a dedicated dance venue. All six are in the same building – no dashes and splashes across a wet parking lot!

This Marriott is about 8 miles further on Route 50 if you stay on it (coming from the north or west into Sacramento). DON'T take the Capital City Freeway to our previous location at the Sacramento Inn. The Marriott is on Highway 50 at the Sunrise Blvd exit. It is visible to the right (south), and is the only 11-story building in sight. From downtown Sac you'd take a right at the end of the Sunrise exit, left at the next light 1 block away (Folsom Blvd), left at next possible turn (1 block), then left into the hotel lot. Parking is free. So it's 1 right and 2 lefts, all 1 block distances. And in a pinch, just look for the 11 story building.

(Note: There are other Marriotts in Sacramento. This one is titled as above and is NOT a "Courtyard" Marriott. If you Google it, be sure you have the right one!)

SPECIAL RAGTIME ROOM RATES PER DAY

| | Regular Rooms | Executive Level Upgrades |
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| One King bed | \$102 | \$122 |
| Two Queen beds | \$112 | \$132 |
| Plus 12 % Hotel Room Tax & \$1.60 Tourism Assessment Fee | | |

Reservations can be made directly with Marriott at (800) 228-9290 or (916) 638-1100, or online at <https://aws.passkey.com/event/13868767/owner/9323/home>. **Be sure to ask for the ragtime festival rates.** Cancellations will be fully refunded up to 3 PM the day before your scheduled arrival. And this year the hotel will provide complimentary WiFi in guest rooms and the lobby.

Our special prices are guaranteed only until Oct 2. They might be extended to Nov 2 BUT ONLY if enough reservations are received by that date, so don't count on the extension and please make your reservations way before Oct 2. We don't at this point expect to need an overflow hotel, another reason we chose this facility.

This Marriott is farther from the airport and train station than before and the hotel offers no courtesy van shuttle. The Blue Van airport shuttle costs \$38 one way, but we were told by the hotel that a 6-8 passenger blue van can be chartered one way for \$100, which could reduce that expense significantly. We will confirm this with the blue van people and have more details in our

next newsletter and soon on this website. In the meantime, those of you flying in and taking a van might start to think of others you could couple up with. Or last year a few folks rented cars and still saved compared to the van.

So please make your plans, and then your reservations, because we're also working on another joyous festival with all the usual Special Shows, Seminars, Silent Movies, Youth Concerts and Master Class, Dance Classes, and our Marvelous Musicians. We know the new hotel is very nice and all, but, rest assured, the MUSIC is still THE SHOW!

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