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### **MUSIC WITH A MISSION – STRIKING A CHORD SINCE 2010**

**WHAT:** Music With A Mission (MWAM) – The Street Symphony

**WHEN:** Thursday – July 18, 2019 – 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

**WHERE:** The Midnight Mission, 601 S. San Pedro St., LA, CA 90014

**WHO:** **Zingarella** [www.zingarella.org](http://www.zingarella.org)

The Midnight Mission (TMM) is delighted to welcome Zingarella to this week's MWAM program.

Zingarella is the swashbuckling two-woman show featuring Janice Mautner Markham (violin) and Melinda West (accordion). Their newest material consists of sizzling folk tunes stemming from Klezmer, Latin, Tango, Balkan and Americana influences with a dash of patriarchy-smashing. The duo draws from Eastern European and Filipino heritage, bonding upon their mutual excitement for traveling the world through song. Locally, Zingarella has been seen at venues ranging from the micro-stage of The Kibbitz Room to the expansive gem of the Westside, The Broad Stage. Their audiences stretch across generations, as they perform timeless melodies with storytelling for schoolchildren as well as for the Cafe Europa Holocaust survivors groups. The violin and accordion troubadours were recently self-awarded "Best Ska Performance of the 'Dreidel Song'" for their stroll-a-thon at the *Skirball Hannukah Festival- 2018*.

**WHY:** The Midnight hosts Music With a Mission (MWAM) to entertain and inspire those living on Skid Row. Music is a survival tactic for many people in dealing with life's difficulties. MWAM is aimed at bringing our community together through music. MWAM is quite simple. Musicians bring their instruments and play for our homeless and near-homeless guests. It is an intimate setting, so musicians have the opportunity to interact with our guests, answer questions and/or talk about music and its history. We encourage musicians to invite their fan base so they can engage and enjoy music with individuals they would not normally encounter in their daily lives. **We are currently looking for sponsors for this ever-growing community event. If you are interested, please contact Georgia Berkovich at 213-624-4588 or [gberkovich@midnightmission.org](mailto:gberkovich@midnightmission.org).**

**About The Midnight Mission:** Founded in 1914, The Midnight Mission offers paths to self-sufficiency to men, women and children who have lost direction. Our emergency services and 12-step recovery, family living, job training, education and workforce development programs offer a compassionate bridge to achieve and maintain healthy, productive lives. We remove obstacles and provide the accountability and structure that people who are experiencing homelessness need to be productive in their communities. Our conviction and commitment to their success define us. For additional information, please visit [www.midnightmission.org](http://www.midnightmission.org).

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