

# Allensworth first Performing Arts Festival 2023

**TESTIMONY OF SOUND**  
RHYTHMS FROM AFRICA, THE DIASPORA, AND BEYOND

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SAT AUGUST 12th 2023**  
11am to 5pm

**ADM \$20**

**LOCATION:** Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park  
Grant Dr  
Earlimart, CA 93219

**SPirituals, Jazz, Do-Wop, Blues, Be-Bop, Hip-Hop, and More**  
*Chester Vernacular Productions, Lula Washington Dance Troupe,  
Thomas Vincent Ramos Cultural Foundation and Rhythms of the Village*

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**Music** State Park Entrance Fee  
**Arts and Craft** Large Buses - \$100  
**Food** Small Buses  
**Ed-du-tainment** (25 Persons or Less) - \$50.00  
**Presentations** Cars - \$6.00

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This event is dedicated to  
**Colonel Allensworth**

COLONEL ALLENSWORTH STATE HISTORIC PARK

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Save the Date and Do Not Miss

August 12, 2023

Testimony of Sound Performing Arts Dance, & Music Festival at the Colonel Allensworth State Park

This summer's hottest major performing arts festival will be at the Colonel Allensworth California State Historic Park with the first annual Diaspora Music Fest in Tulare County, California on August 12.

It will be an all-day performing arts music and cultural faire of entertainment and education.

**Vernacular Entertainment** will host the all day, **“Testimony of Sound”** **Diaspora Music and Cultural Fest August 12, 2023, at California’s famous Colonel Allensworth State Park.** International reggae star Lady Dread will headline the festival with a show that will also include entertainment for performing arts enthusiasts from 8 - 80. Viewable on-line at **ChesterWhitmore.net** as well as in person, this festival will feature additional performers and artists **from Lady Love / Lady Bug Documentaries, an education and entertainment channel, Lula Washington Dance Troupe, Rickey Byers, TV Ramos Cultural Foundation, Pasadena and Altadena’s Rhythms of the Village, Ali Ali and the renown, Stop the Killing Band , Ladee Dred** and other live theater acts and groups. All will perform music, dance, theater and spoken word from across the world.

This is one of the most important and empowering Diaspora events to happen in California this year,” says world famous master dancer and choreographer **Chester Whitmore, CEO of Vernacular Entertainment.** Mr. Whitmore is promoting an event where, “we will be able to come together at Allensworth, which was originally an historic Black township founded by US Civil War Veteran, Colonel A. Allensworth, to honor and remember the efforts and legacy of a vision of freedom.” At the end of the Civil War, the town of Allensworth, California was envisioned to become the home of the Tuskegee Institute West and provide an all-black community sanctuary for education and development. The original goals and the fortitude of its people will be venerated, embraced and uplifted through this cultural fest of arts, music, food and celebration.

For further information about this event, such as entertainment, food, arts and crafts, vending, ticket sales transportation, etc. please contact Karen Simons, 301-717-2424/ 424-281-9633 or by e-mail at [Ksimon301@yahoo.com/](mailto:Ksimon301@yahoo.com/). Tickets, corporate and vendors spaces go on sale May 29, 2023.