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**OAKLAND SYMPHONY AND THE CRANEWAY PAVILION ANNOUNCE JULY 3rd
INDEPENDENCE EVE CELEBRATION**

*Live Music, Food And Fireworks - Free To The Public in one of the Bay
Area's Most Popular Independence Day Celebrations*

Richmond, CA, May 31, 2016—The **Oakland Symphony, the Craneway Pavilion**, located inside the historic **Ford Point Building** on the waterfront in Richmond, **and the City of Richmond** will again join forces to host a family-friendly **Independence Eve Celebration** led by the **Oakland Symphony** and **Music Director Michael Morgan** on Sunday, July 3. The evening will also include pre-performance entertainment, food and fireworks. **Craneway Pavilion**, located on 25 waterfront acres, delivers spectacular views of the San Francisco skyline, with floor-to-ceiling windows throughout the entire event space as well as a 20,000 square foot patio, perfect for viewing the City of Richmond's firework display. The event is free to the public and in the eight years since its inception has become one of the Bay Area's most popular and talked-about Independence Day Celebrations. **Paid parking will be available beginning at 5 pm and access to the Craneway Pavilion and Wharf will begin at 6:30 pm.** Concert sponsors include City of Richmond, Mechanics Bank, Chevron, Allied Propane Service, BNSF Railway, Chemtrade Logistics, Inc., Dreisbach Enterprises, Laconia Development LLC, LDK Ventures, Pottery Land LLC, Rafanelli & Nahas, Wareham Development, International-Matex Tank Terminals, Republic Services, Terraphase Engineering, TMG Partners, The Castle Companies For more information, visit www.oaklandsymphony.org or www.craneway.com.

Pre-concert live music will feature the Oakland Symphony Youth Orchestra before it embarks on its July tour to Cuba. At **8 p.m.** the **Oakland Symphony**, conducted by **Music Director Michael Morgan**, will begin its set of patriotic, spirited works to celebrate America's Independence Day in a program to be announced. The City of Richmond's Firework Display will launch over the water just as the Symphony closes its program.

The Craneway Pavilion is located at **1414 Harbour Way South** in the Marina district of Richmond and can be accessed from the 580 freeway. Seating is limited and will be available on a first come, first served basis. Guests are encouraged to bring their own blankets and chairs.

The Craneway will offer an Independence Day themed concession menu. The adjacent restaurant, **Assemble**, will feature full-menu dining beginning at 5pm and remain open prior to and during the July 3rd event until 10 pm. Reservations are highly recommended. Beer, wine and additional beverages will be available. No outside liquor will be permitted.

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