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# NEVERWONDER

By Staff Writer

## Concerts at the Bowl

Canoga Park Bowl and the San Fernando Valley Symphony Orchestra present  
Wednesday Evenings at 8:00pm In the Royal Room

January 8

### The Symphoniamix

Perform works from the classical repertoire, as well as a selection of "pop" classics, featuring Ruth Bruegger, viola; James Domine, guitar; Glenn Grab, 'cello and Larry Muradian, bass

January 15

### The SFVSO Jazz Band

Entertains with standards from the Great American Songbook, featuring Jimi Dee, guitar; Ron Singer, saxophone/flute, Adrian Miller, trumpet/flugelhorn; Larry Muradian, bass and Chuck Burkinshaw, drums

January 22

### The Blues Bandits

Sing and play the "Blues," featuring David Reo, guitar and vocals; Jimi Dee, guitar and vocals; Larry Muradian, bass and Chuck Burkinshaw, drums

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20122 Vanowen Street, Winnetka, CA

For information, call 818-347-4807

Free Admission/One Drink Minimum

Persons under 21 years of age not admitted

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Modern rock/soul band NEVERWONDER caps a momentous 2013 with their "Hot 100 Band of 2013" selection by prestigious trade publication, MUSIC CONNECTION. The quartet was chosen for the year-end accolade from over three-thousand entries from around the world.

Other NEVERWONDER 2013 highlights: unanimous praise from critics the world over for their latest album, "Really Let It Out," live performances at some of Southern California's most respected venues, including the storied Rose Bowl (where they opened for hit makers Far East Movement last Spring) and a Main Stage show at the House Of Blues; selection as a "Top 25 Artist" by ROCKWIRED MAGAZINE; participation in the high-profile Rock N Roll Marathon series, with performances in Las Vegas, San Francisco, San Jose and other major cities in front of fifty-thousand runners and fans; and securing worldwide distribution via I-Tunes as well as Amazon, I-Heart Radio and Spotify.

"NEVERWONDER have a really good soul/rock crossover that is easy on the ears," writes Kelly Geist of National Rock Review in a live review of the band's performance at the Las Vegas Rock N Roll Marathon last week, where they played on the famed Vegas Strip in front of the Paris Hotel/Casino. "They exude a very positive vibe, a solid rhythm section and substantial, raspy vocals that remind me a little bit of Janis Joplin."

MUSIC CONNECTION magazine writes, "Neverwonder's strength resides in a special blend of rock and soul... (new singer Alima) Soul contributes more than just great vocals... (drummer Andres) Ramos shifts between metal, rock, and funk styles with

ease. the rock and rap mash-up of "Wild Out" is a crowd favorite and a good finale for the band who are at their peak performance here."

With the recent addition of vocalist Alima Soul, the band's creative synergy has been an undeniable force to be reckoned with. Their natural chemistry evokes the creation of impressionable songs and unforgettable performances. Alima's sultry, soul-styling and songwriting brings a new vibe to the band's repertoire. Neverwonder (Alima Soul, lead vocals; Scott Ramsay, guitar; Vincent Ramos, bass; Andres Ramos, drums) were selected as one of the "25 Artists Who Made 2012 Rock" by Rockwired Magazine. "In 2012 the band welcomed singer Alima Soul and combined the incomparable rhythm section of the brothers Ramos. Neverwonder takes flight again," writes Rockwired Editor, Brian Lush. Neverwonder's unique sound is a blend of rock, pop, and soul. Their music is driven by their strong musicianship and is rooted by life's experiences. The band's music influences include Foo Fighters, Soundgarden, Lenny Kravitz, No

Doubt, Tina Turner, Mary J. Blige, and Pink. The band has performed in the past at venues such as House of Blues (LA/OC), The Roxy, Key Club, Viper Room, The Galaxy Theater and The Coach House, and has been featured on KLOS 95.5 FM radio and Rockwired Magazine, among many other media outlets. They have also been a high-powered act for several years in the Rock and Roll Marathon series.

Really Let It Out: Really Getting Good Reviews

Neverwonder, the band out of Los Angeles, CA, has taken hard rock, mixed it with R&B and soul, and has created an EP that has it all. The vocalist, Alima Soul is a powerhouse within herself: she has a soft, smooth and velvety voice, yet she's not afraid to use it to let her real emotions come through within each song. -XOMBIWOOF

"A unique blend of styles and sounds that make for an easy listen... new lead singer Alima Soul really packs a punch! Neverwonder take good lyrics and rely on the talents of each member to deliver. Alima definitely adds that spark that every band needs." -Rock Over America

