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## Tim Grobaty: Concert line-up features Long Beach sound

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SWEET RELEASES: Let's say we went out all the time. Pretend we don't spend the bulk of our time in the Barn's New Products Division laboratories seeing how we can work rum raisin curacao, a batch of which was purchased for us by a friend who just returned from Curacao, so it's like 200 percent curacaoian, into a martini without the martini being a tad too twee for our drinkership.

And instead let's say we do what we used to be paid an alarming amount of money to do: go out and trip the lights fantastic, poking around from ballroom to bistro, from roadhouse to stadium, listening to music and then writing about how much we didn't like it, for no other reason than the fact that disparaging adjectives are a thousand times more fun than fawning ones.

Were that the case, we would have a half-great evening on Saturday. The great part would be four hours of our favorite kinds of music performed by four of Long Beach's most brilliant bands.

The bad part would be coming up with a set of reviewer's adjectives that would transcend such tired modifiers as "favorite" and "brilliant." There's just no money in favorable reviews.

And no money is exactly what you need to gain entry into what could turn out to be the best night of music for this season's SAM (Summer And Music) schedule.

"Release Me" celebrates the new music of Tijuana Panthers, The Brook Lee Catastrophe, the Fling and the mighty Delta Spirit through those bands' hour-long sets

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base, which overlap considerably because of the like-minded tunes they create: rich in fine musicianship with strong vocals and thoughtful, sometime sacred, lyrics.

"The momentum for this show is huge," said Foster, hoping for a beautiful day to bring crowds to the waterfront venue.

If you want to check the bands out in advance, the groups all have sites on the Web where you can see their videos and listen to their music - Facebook in particular. And, of course, we did mention they have new albums out. You can get those at Fingerprints.

And, yes, the concert is free, but bring some dough and swing by the Fingerprints tent to pick up one of the new CDs - and this whole SAM thing is fronted by the Downtown Long Beach Associates and the Redevelopment Agency, who wouldn't holler with outrage if you were to spend a buck or two at a local restaurant. That'll help keep shows like this one coming back next year.

FRIDAY PLAYLIST: Jerry Garcia would turn 68 on Sunday if it hadn't of been for dying at 53 - 15 years ago on Aug. 9. Maybe if he'd laid off the speed and painkillers and acid and heroin. ... Ah, but then what would he be? Alive? Maybe, but he'd just be some old guy with a guitar and a banjo playing carnivals and county fairs. And not the good county fairs.

Here's a little aural birthday cake you can feed to your iPod. It's not Jerry's greatest hits, just some songs to listen to.

1. "Stella Blue," Grateful Dead

from 5 till 9 p.m. Saturday at the Rainbow Harbor Amphitheater at Shoreline Drive and Pine Avenue in downtown Long Beach.

With the exception of Tijuana Panthers, whose music is a bit on the frantic surf-sound side that evolved from a life of punk and thrash, the bands pursue the rich, Americana sound that has become the Long Beach sound over the years (running parallel with another Long Beach sound that hews to the more ska-tish trend in the wake of of the venerable original Sublime).

The fact that all are out with new albums this month inspired SAM co-chief and Fingerprints owner Rand Foster to create the "Release Me" event, which should draw a sizeable crowd from each band's

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