

DEFEND STREET PERFORMERS

Santa Cruz police are “moving along” musicians and political activists on threat of ticketing using the Unreasonably Disturbing Noises ordinance (MC 9.36.030). It makes “noise” between the hours of 8 AM and 10 PM illegal if it is “... (a)...unreasonably disturbing or physically annoying to people of ordinary sensitiveness or which are so harsh or so prolonged or unnatural or unusual in their use, time or place as to cause physical discomfort to any person, and (b) ... not necessary in connection with an activity which is otherwise lawfully conducted.”

Note particularly the words “physically annoying” and “physical discomfort”. It's not whether someone is annoyed by or dislikes the music. Police do not advise complainants of the actual law, and do not suggest that musicians can play more softly & continue their constitutionally protected activity.

Do you find the music below “unreasonably disturbing” (as described above)?

If not and you'd like to see the musicians continue unmolested, please register your feelings and contact information below. It may be necessary to contact you as a witness for future testimony. Help keep Santa Cruz tuneful and colorful.

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