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Princesses, plot twists and laughs



Juan Agredano, left, and Zarena Bernadino-Coles rehearse for Redwood's production of "Beauty is the Beast" at Rotary Theater on October 5. PHOTOS BY RON HOLMAN/VISALIA TIMES-DELTA

Redwood stages 'Beauty is the Beast'

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Redwood High School theater students are ready to perform "Beauty is the Beast" at Rotary Theatre this week. • Comedic escapades abound in the show created by playwright Don Zolidis. Belle's adventures begin after an enchantress turns her into a beast and her partner leaves her. Belle teams up with a gaggle of disillusioned princesses. The group embark on an epic journey to hunt down the witch who cast the spell and find true love. • "Audiences will enjoy watching the traditional princesses and fairytale characters in a new light," Director Stacy Galvan said. "The plot twists throughout are unexpected and will keep audiences on the edge of their seats, and it's funny; super funny." • Junior, Lola Sullivan plays Belle, 25 years after her original story.

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Lola Sullivan rehearses for Redwood's production of "Beauty is the Beast" at Rotary Theater on October 5.

CA leaders condemn Trump's remarks

President calls potential attacks on San Diego, LA 'very small price to pay'

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A comment by President Donald Trump during an Oct. 5 campaign rally in Nebraska sparked immediate backlash from California leaders after he appeared to suggest that the potential destruction of Los Angeles or San Diego would be "a small price to pay" amid tensions tied to the war with Iran.

Speaking at a midterm election rally in Grand Island, Nebraska, Trump discussed higher gasoline prices resulting from the conflict and argued that Americans should accept the economic impact.

"They can take out a city. Let 'em take out Los Angeles, let 'em take out San Diego. This is a very small price to pay," Trump said, adding that the war was nearly over and describing the costs as "a small price to pay for keeping the world safe."

The remarks quickly circulated online, drawing sharp condemnation from California officials who accused the president of treating millions of Californians as expendable.

Trump has shrugged off cost-of-living concerns stemming from the Iran conflict before, and he previously downplayed his concerns about the potential for Iran or its allies to launch an attack on U.S. soil.

The comment in rural Nebraska, a state Trump won with more than 55% of the vote in the 2024 presidential election, targeted Democratic-run cities in California, a solidly Democratic state the president often criticizes.

Gov. Gavin Newsom responded on social media by linking Trump's remarks to the administration's recent deployments of federal forces into California.

"After sending the National Guard and Marines to occupy California, Donald Trump is now saying our foreign enemies should 'take out' Los Angeles and San Diego," Newsom wrote.

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