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March, 2016





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Fun In The Snow At Alpine Slide



Riverside Community Flower Show



Bunny Train At Railway Museum



Dance The Night Away In Fontana



Circus Vargas Presents iLUMINOUS

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March 22

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February 24, 2016 • 6:00 – 8:30 pm Health's Kitchen 10120 Indiana Ave., Riverside

Want to turn your brown thumb into a green thumb? Interested in selling what you grow? Are you looking for land to grow on? Local experts will be on hand to answer your questions. It's also a chance to network with others interested in the local food system and try samples of local food.



March 4, 2016 • 8:00 – 11:00 am
California Citrus State Historic Park, Sunkist Center
9400 Dufferin Ave., Riverside

The role of Riverside's Greenbelt in providing opportunities for growing food, revenue generation and job creation are untapped. This half-day event will consist of workshops discussing challenges and opportunities for smaller-scale farm operations in the Greenbelt.





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SPRING CELEBRATION

Saturday, March 26th 10am-1pm

Easter Egg Hunt

10am, Sharp

(Children 6 months til age 10)

Scavenger Hunt

(Children 11-13)

Free Crafts for the Children, DJ, Contests, lots of prizes.

Visit with the Easter Bunny, free photos



Car Show

2nd Sunday of each month 1 - 4pm

ALL EVENTS ARE WEATHER PERMITTING



Big Bear Snow Tubing, Day Or Night

BIG BEAR SNOW PLAY NIGHT TUBING and LONGEST RUNS After I

After Dark Snow Tubing Friday, Saturday, and Holidays, 5pm to 9pm

here's a new twist at an old longtime favorite as Big Bear Snow Play introduces night inner tubing sessions this winter. The former ski area, known as Rebel Ridge, which introduced snowmaking to Southern California in the late 1950's has been a family favorite for inner tubing through generations as parents who grew up sliding here are now bringing their kids. Now families can make memories there at night too, as Big Bear Snow Play opens for four-hour after dark tubing sessions Fridays, Saturdays and holiday periods from 5-9pm.

Big Bear Snow Play opened for the 2015-16 season in early November after its powerful Lenko fan guns blanketed its slopes with tons of snow, and within days had already built a deep snowpack that will continue to grow with more snowmaking and storms. Eventually snow depths will tower 30 feet or

MORE INFORMATION

Big Bear Snow Play is on Big Bear Blvd. next to Motel 6.

Call (909) 585-0075 or visit www.bigbearsnowplay.com.

more—that's right, three stories high!—above the surrounding terrain, enough white stuff to ensure tubing through Easter and beyond.

All that white stuff means Big Bear Snow Play can offer not just up to eight traditional downhill runs but also snow features like whoop-di-doos, bumps and berms that really add to the sliding experience. Even the tubes are different at Big Bear Snow Play; guests slide on colorful covered inner tubes that aren't just attractive, they actually go faster than traditional black tires.

Big Bear Snow Play's worldclass inner tubing experiences continues with its Magic Carpet uphill lifts that families merely step on and off of. No uphill climb to tire parents and kids out means they save all their energy for downhill

fun and can get all the runs they want. At Big Bear Snow Play there's a second carpet running on busy days to ensure guests spend their time sliding, not standing in line.

Snow gets groomed nightly at Big Bear Snow Play so guests enjoy the best possible conditions, evenly-spread corduroy perfect for their fastpaced downhill adventure.

There's also a separate "kiddie area" for tykes and when it's time for a winter warmup, head inside the heated base lodge for family priced snack bar, restrooms and video games.

Active fire, police, military and emergency personnel get two-for-one tickets at Big Bear Snow Play Wednesdays through winter (black-out/holiday dates excluded).

SNOW SCHEDULE

BIG BEAR SNOW PLAY IS OPEN DAILY FROM 10AM TO 4PM. DAY SESSIONS ARE JUST \$30 WHICH INCLUDES TUBE RENTAL AND MAGIC CARPET LIFT AND GUESTS ARE FREE TO COME AND GO AS THEY WANT. NEW NIGHT SESSIONS FRIDAYS, SATURDAYS AND HOLIDAY PERIODS COST \$25.

FREE SHOW – COLORFUL & SEW CREATIVE!

Pomona Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival will be held at the Fairplex / Building 6 with parking at Gate 17 on March 3-5. \$500 cash given away every morning at 9:45am prior to the doors opening!

olorful, creative and quilty are words we often hear to describe our event as we walk the aisles. We will have more vendors, classes and great make and take workshops for everyone's creative inspirations. The Pomona Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival will occur March 3, 4 & 5, 2016 at the Fairplex located at Fairplex Dr exit off of the I-10 freeway. Parking will be in Gate 17, with plenty of easy and close to the building parking and trams running to shuttle attendees back and forth.

The Festival features a wide variety of supplies, notions, patterns and techniques in the areas of quilting, sewing, needle-arts, stenciling, embossing, crystals, fabric crafts and more. Many booths will feature new cutting edge products that are brand new to the market. Enter your ticket stub to win free door prize drawings that occur every hour. Our co-sponsor, Moore's Sewing, will also be giving away a free sewing machine making this a very exciting show for those with a creative flair! In addition to that prize, Moore's will be giving away a thousand dollars a day in prizes at their daily lottery give away in their big booths!

The Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival also offers a selection of 'make-it and take-it' workshops in addition to seminars and classes presented by our great instructors.



COLORFUL • CREATIVE • COOL **Pomona** Quilt, Craft & Sewing at the Fairplex Bldg #6 (Parking Gate 17 / trams and close) 3, 4 & 5, 2016 Thur & Fri 10 am - 5 pm / Sat 10 am - 4 pm SEWING • QUILTING • NEEDLE-ARTS • CRAFTS See and buy the latest supplies, fabrics, notions, patterns and tools...all under one roof! See Classes from Quilting **Pomona Quilt, Craft** and Sewing Superstars! & Sewing Festival Admission without coupon \$10 For additional show information <u>Freë admission!</u>

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a.m. on all 3 days!

Join Canyon Crest **Towne Centre's Annual Spring Event**

anyon Crest Towne Centre in Riverside will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt and Spring Celebration on Saturday, March 26, from 10am to 1pm.

Bring the family to the beautiful Centre to enjoy a visit with the Easter Bunny and search for those colorful eggs. The Easter Egg Hunt begins promptly at 10am for children, ages 6 months to age 10. There is also a Scavenger Hunt for children ages 11 to 13.

There will be free crafts for children, DJ contests, lots of prizes, and free photos with the Easter Bunny.

OTHER SPRING EVENTS SCHEDULED INCLUDE:



Life Stream Blood Drive

Monday, April 4th and Wednesday, June 22nd. 2:00pm until 6:00pm



Allie's Hallmark, Sidewalk Sale

Saturday, April 9th, 9:00pm - 4:00pm



Car Show

2nd Sunday of each month 1-4pm



Craft Beer Walk



Migliore's Gourmet Foods-**Cooking Demonstrations**

February and March-Wednesdays and Fridays For more information and registration contact Miglore's on line: www.miglioregourmet.com

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Live music in June, July and August, Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 9pm (this is a new time this year), and July, Saturdays as well.

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CAR SHOWS

Other fun events at the Towne Centre include Car Shows on the second Sunday of each month from 1 to 4pm.

MORE INFORMATION

Located near UCR and the Canyon Crest neighborhood, the Canyon Crest Towne Centre, celebrating more than 35 years, provides a great family atmosphere and invites you to visit and enjoy its ambience -- always something going on at Canyon Crest Towne Centre. It's more than a shopping centre!

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69th Annual Riverside Community

Flower Show Garden Tour



"Moments in Thyme" Saturday, April 16

Gardens 10 am - 4 pm • Show 1 - 6 pm

(Maps & Tickets available at Elks Lodge at 9 am Sat. Flower Show opens at 1 pm)

Sunday, April 17

Gardens and Show 10 am - 4 pm

It's Free to visit our Garden Fair!

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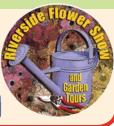
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MORE INFO at: RiversideFlowerShow.info OR CALL 951-850-8277









ORANGE EMPIRE RAILWAY MUSEUM

March Events At OERM In

Bunny Train

An Easter Eggstravaganza at the Orange Empire Railway Museum

op on board! The Easter Bunny is stopping by the Orange Empire Railway Museum in Perris on the weekend of March 12th and 13th from 11AM to 4PM. Kids of all ages will experience the magic of trains and the Easter Bunny at this incredibly popular annual event.

The Easter Bunny will hop through the train, greet each child with a special treat and pose for a photo. Children can then decorate Easter baskets and follow a treasure map to find Easter eggs and other goodies. The fun continues with bunny hop potato sack and egg races, a bounce house, trolley rides, and other activities.

This gated event supports museum operations and the continued restoration of historic rail cars and rail line. Admission is \$8 for ages 2 - 11 and \$12 for ages 12 and up.



Iron Horse - Family Steampunk Carnivale Chugs into the Orange Empire Railway Museum

rab the goggles and parasols, put on the top hats and corsets, and jump into the airships to head over to the Orange Empire Railway Museum in Perris on March 19th and 20th for an extraordinary, two-day festival celebrating the fantasy, history and ingenuity behind Steampunk. Enjoy festivities geared for the entire family as homage is paid to the Victorian Era, Edwardian science fiction, and the Industrial Revolution with the museum's steam-powered locomotive as the backdrop.

Events & activities include steam locomotive and vintage trolley rides, shows and concerts by such sought after Steampunk entertainers as Poplock Holmes, The Velveteen Band, Frytown Toughs, Aether Brigade's Variety Show, Strange Indeed, Banjo Man, Dr. Solars Good Time Sunshine "Medicine Show" and others. The carnivale will further include a Steampunk fashion show and contest, Steampunk workshops, Steampunk artisan displays of jewelry, handiworks, steam-driven contraptions and imaginative gadgets, as well as vendors, lots of eats and treats, and much more.

This year's evening entertainment gets extra Steam Power with Southern California's favorite Steampunk musical acts, The Velveteen Band and



Poplock Holmes taking the stage at nightfall for a night of toe-tapping tall tales and Steampunk symphonies with 5 musical acts! The evening will open with a variety show featuring short sets from Strange Indeed, the Banjo Man and special guests The Frytown toughs out of Arizona bringing

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Spring Railroadiana Swap Meet

Southern California's Largest Celebration of Train Memorabilia and Railroading History

rain enthusiasts, history buffs and those interested in learning about Southern California's railway history are encouraged to attend the Railroadiana Swap Meet at the Orange Empire Railway Museum in Perris on March 5, from 9am to 2pm.

This outdoor fundraising event for the nonprofit museum will feature 180plus tables of railroad antiques, collectibles, art, books, photos, as well as model

and toy trains. Visitors can see everything from highly detailed scale models to family heirloom trains, lanterns, signs, signals and archival photos. Historians will also be on-hand to tell stories of how rail transportation shaped the Southern California we know today.

This gated event supports museum operations and the continued restoration of historic rail cars and rail line.

Admission including an all-day ride pass is \$12 for ages 12 and up,



\$8 for ages 5-11, and free for ages 4 and under. Swap meet only price is \$7 for ages 12 and up and \$5 for ages 5-11. The event is free to OERM members.

Exhibitor Info: \$18 for non-members, includes one admission. Space is on first-come basis. Set-up starts at 7am. Bring your own tables/chairs.

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their old timey, ragtime style covers of today's hits. Hosted by Captain Lucky of the Aether Brigade, it will be a night of hilarious hi jinx and musical merriment for the entire family.

Scheduled workshops during the Iron Horse - Family Steampunk Carnivale include:

- Steampunk on the Cheap (How to make your farthing go farther)
- A Show of Goodwill; Thrift Store Steampunk
- Making Steampunk Props
- Junk to Steampunk
- Cameras of the Victorian and Edwardian Eras
- The Trains of Steampunk TV and Movies: Where are they now?
- Over 30 cosplay.
- Visitors will also have the opportunity to make their own Victorian straw hat, fascinator, and ray gun.

This gated event supports museum operations and the continued restoration of historic rail cars and rail line.

TICKET INFO:

Day Pass: Includes admission to the event, daytime shows and entertainment, some workshops and panels (there is a material fee for some of the workshops), rides on the train and vintage trolleys, access to museum exhibits and more. Ages 12 and up \$15, ages 5-11 \$10, Ages 4 and under are free.

Evening entertainment is \$10 per ticket. **Day & Evening Combo:** Includes a day pass and ticket to the evening entertainment. Ages 12 and up \$20, Ages 5 – 11 \$15, ages 4 and under are free.

Weekend Pass: Includes admission for both days and the evening entertainment. Ages 12 and up \$30, Ages 5 – 11 \$20, Ages 4 and under are free.

English Tea: Tea will be served starting at 10am. Tickets for the tea are \$10 per person.

Camping: \$10 per night. One vehicle per site.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information visit their website at www.oerm.org or call 951-943-3020.

ABOUT ORANGE EMPIRE RAILWAY MUSEUM

The Orange Empire Railway Museum is an all-volunteer organization that has been preserving Southern California's railway history since 1956. The museum's mission is to educate the public on the technology, history, and impact of the rail transportation industry in the West. Over 200 rail cars and locomotives, ranging from Los Angeles street cars to modern diesel locomotives, are preserved at the museum's 90-acre site in Perris, California, which is open 363 days of the year.

Visit the Riverside Community Flower Show and Garden Tours "Moments in Thyme"

ou're invited to take a "Moment in Thyme" for a green treat at the 69th Annual Riverside Community Flower Show and Garden Tours, coming up on April 16 and 17. Take "thyme" to admire fragrant herb plants -- and many other entries including roses, orchids, bouquets and dish gardens. The flower show is held at the Elks Lodge in Riverside. Also included in the event are six spectacular local gardens on a self-guided tour.

On Saturday, April 16, the Garden Tour is open from 10am to 4pm, and the Flower Show runs from 1pm to 6pm. On Sunday, April 17, both the garden tour and show run 10am to 4pm. The Elks Lodge is located at 6166 Brockton Ave. in Riverside.

Ticket prices include the Flower Show (don't miss the great door prizes!), Garden Tour, and Garden Fair for both days, and are \$10 pre-sale and \$12 at the show. Children under 16 are FREE with a paying adult! Presale tickets are available, please visit the website for locations or to buy online.

The show is packed with beautiful displays of Riverside's best homegrown garden plants, flowers, and crafts. Bring your gardening questions to our onsite Master Gardeners. Visit the free Garden Fair where a variety of vendors will be on hand with a wide range of plants and one-of-a-kind handcrafted goods.

The public, including adults, students and children are invited to submit entries to the show, free of charge. For example, enter your favorite homegrown fruits and vegetables, potted plants, roses, flower arrangements, and garden crafts. You just might win a blue ribbon! For entry forms and times, show tickets, and more information, go online to www.riversideflowershow.info or call (951) 850-8277.



Enter your best garden plant, flower, or veggie and you might just win a ribbon!



Come on the garden tour and get some inspiration on how to make your outdoor area an inviting retreat.



Get ideas for more waterwise and cost efficient solutions for landscaping and outdoor enjoyment.



The flower show showcases beautiful plants of all kinds.



A lovely koi pond from a past tour. There are always some gardens on the tour with water features.

GARDEN OASIS SERIES

The Riverside Flower Show is also sponsoring a separate Garden Oasis Series on March 19 and May 21. This series features in-depth information on transforming your landscape into a garden retreat capable of surviving our unique and sometimes extreme weather conditions. More information is available at www.riversideflowershow.info or by emailing GardenOasistheSeries@gmail.com.

Ryan Bonaminio Park Welcomes The Return Of The Colorful Spring Eggstravaganza

pring into a colorful array of activities at the 2016 Spring Eggstravaganza Saturday, March 19 at Ryan Bonaminio Park at the Tequesquite Arroyo! The festive family event will offer a wide range of activities from 10am to 1pm including a fun zone, train rides, petting zoo, pictures with Peter Rabbit, free egg hunt and vendor fair. In collaboration with the Riverside Community Services Foundation and 99.1 KGGI participants have will have an opportunity to win a pair of Justin Bieber concert tickets by purchasing a \$5 raffle ticket the day of the event with all proceeds benefiting the Riverside Community Services Foundation.

The featured Free Eggstravagant Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 10am and will offer youth an opportunity to participate in one of five age divided categories (0-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12 and Special Needs). Participants are required to bring their own baskets to collect candy filled eggs. Wristbands are required for Fun Zone activities for a nominal fee and are available for purchase at any



local community center or at www.RivReg.org. Wristbands are \$5 pre-sale through 4 p.m. Friday, March 18 and \$7 day of the event (exact cash recommended). Pre-sale wristbands purchased online will be available at the pre-registration/will call booth at the event.





CIRCUS VARGAS ILUMINOUS

CIRCUS VARGAS BIG TOP BECOMES PART OF LOCAL PANORAMA

oon residents will recognize a new and exciting, albeit temporary, addition to their local scenery. It may seem to most that the Circus Vargas Big Top materialized as if by magic, effortlessly and strategically placed amid the customary community surroundings. In actuality an extreme amount of hard work goes into the "Raising of the Big Top."

It takes a crew of approximately 20 men a minimum of seven hours to erect the massive structure. Like an intricate puzzle, tens of thousands of square feet of canvas fabric, dozens of poles, hundreds of stakes, and miles of rope and cable are all placed deliberately and with accuracy, no detail too minute.

Then just as quickly as it came, it disappears from view. Handled carefully and respectfully, the big top is gently lowered and dismantled, neatly rolled up and stowed away ready to make the long trip to the next town it will call home for the next week or so. No longer a part of the local panorama, performances are over and the circus moves on leaving only memories and children of all ages in anticipation of its return.



You Can Join In On The Decades-Long Tradition Of Raising The Big Top

Witness firsthand the magical transformation of sturdy canvas into an intimate, theater-style venue, home to Circus Vargas' spectacular 2016 production iLuminous! Don't Miss the Raising of the Big Top In:

- > Temecula at Promenade in Temecula, Tues. April 5th 2:00 4:00pm.
- > Hesperia at Bear Valley Rd. across from Victor Valley College, Tues. April 19th 2:00 4:00pm.
- Ontario at Ontario Mills Mall, Tues., April 26th 2:00
 4:00pm.



Circus Vargas in Temecula, Hesperia, and Ontario

ircus Vargas returns to the Inland Empire with the world premiere of iLUMINOUS, an all-new, high-energy extravaganza! This first class production will illuminate and inspire the wonder and imagination of every child at heart.

Boasting death-defying stunts, high-flying aerialists, awe-inspiring acrobats, and hilarious clowns under a music filled, blue and yellow Big Top, Circus Vargas' iLUMINOUS will appear at three Inland Empire locations from April 7 – May 9, 2016 including Temecula (April 7-18), Hesperia (April 21-25), and Ontario (April 28 - May 9).

The animal-free circus offers a complimentary, interactive preshow 30 minutes before each performance, where children get to try their hand at juggling, hula hooping, balancing, clowning and much more.

Some of the featured performers at iLUMINOUS include: troupe Yeronmenko, the award-winning acrobatic team who perform on three horizontal gymnastic bars; the Skating Torreblancas, a duo of roller skating artists where the wife rotates horizontally while attached to her husband's neck as he spins in a circle; a girl power Acro-Trio of dance and acrobatics; spiky haired diabolo dynamo Steve Caveagna and his brother Jones as the maestros of musical mayhem; the motorcycle madness of the Globe of Danger; direct from a royal command performance for Princess Stephanie of Monaco, the trapeze artists known as the Flying Tabares; and known as the "Justin Bieber of the circus world," 21-year old Patrick Marinelli gained a rabid fan base after showing off his magic on "America's Got Talent." The fifth generation performer will also present his aerial straps and show off his skills on the trampoline wall.







TICKETS & INFORMATION

Tickets are \$15-\$35 for general admission seating and \$35-\$70 for reserved ringside seats. Purchase tickets online at www. circusvargas.com, call 877-GOTFUN-1 (877-468-3861) or visit the box office at each location.

Follow Circus Vargas on Facebook and Twitter: @CircusVargas.





Temecula Apr 7 -18

Hesperia Apr 21 - 25

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TICKETS

Tickets are selling quickly, as there exist huge buzz and excitement for the event, therefore register today at growriverside2016.com.

hat percent of the meals you've eaten in the past week was grown local? Most likely it is similar to the national average: less than one percent of the food on our plates is grown locally. For the City of Riverside, and the surrounding region's future, local matters.

Why should you support local? When you buy local, your money stays local, and it strengthens the community and local economy in several ways.

Support family farms – buying from local farmers gives them a better return for their produce and supports their efforts in today's global economy.

Create local jobs – supporting local translates to job creation for the community; studies show locally owned businesses employ more people per unit of sales, and retain more employees.

Expansion and growth of local businesses helps create a more stable, recession resistant local economy and community alike.

Buying local keeps money circulating within the local economy – studies show local businesses return a total of 52 percent of their revenue to the local economy, compared to just 14 percent for the national chain retailers. Money circulating through the local economy benefits everyone who receives a transaction. As an example, let's look at a local farmer growing produce. First they could sell it to a local restaurant, which in turn prepares the fresh produce and sells it to customers. The restaurant uses said sales to buy supplies at a local hardware store. This example illustrates the recirculation of money in the local economy, leading to a stronger financial foundation.

Taste the difference – locally grown food allows for produce and fruit to be harvested closer to peak of ripeness and often can arrive at stores, restaurants, or your plate within a few days.

Connects you with your community – supporting Riverside farmers maintains and increases agricultural activities in the City's Arlington Heights Greenbelt by turning vacant lots into productive fields while also preserving open space.

Increase food access and security – growing local also means increasing the availably of foods to all members of the community.



GROWRIVERSIDE CONFERENCE

Join in on the local food movement on March 21 at the third annual Grow-RIVERSIDE conference at UC Riverside, hosted by the City of Riverside in partnership with the community. The conference aims to equip attendees with the knowledge and tools to create vibrant local food systems, generate opportunities for economic development and community engagement, advance public policy related to food and agriculture, and provide a venue for stakeholders to network.

CITRUS CIRCLE FARM-TO-FORK DINNER & FARM FIELD TRIP

Directly following the conference will be the Citrus Circle Farm-to-Fork Dinner featuring dinner catered by UCR's Dining Services, showcasing the campus' Seeds of Change food initiative to serve delicious food that is healthy, sustainable, and socially responsible. Additionally, on March 22nd an optional one-day Farm Field Trip will take place highlighting Riverside's agricultural assets.

Who should attend the GrowRIVERSIDE conference? Everyone: consumers, community advocates, policy makers, students and educators, foodies, entrepreneurs, farmers, health care providers and anyone interested in local food systems.





















Start RIGHT Challenge Aims At Boosting Health In Riverside

he Start R.I.G.H.T. Challenge is a city-wide, healthy-living campaign and challenge that aims to increase health knowledge and access to fitness and educational opportunities for Riverside residents.

Last year's competition resulted in 1,915 hours of logged activity by residents and one lucky winner took home a \$500 cash prize.

The Challenge is completely free for people who live and work in Riverside to take part in. Residents who participate in the challenge have a chance to win a grand prize of \$500 and other cash prizes. The challenge is hosted by the Riverside Community Health Foundation, a local nonprofit that focuses on developing lasting programs and local services for the health and well-being of Riverside County communities.

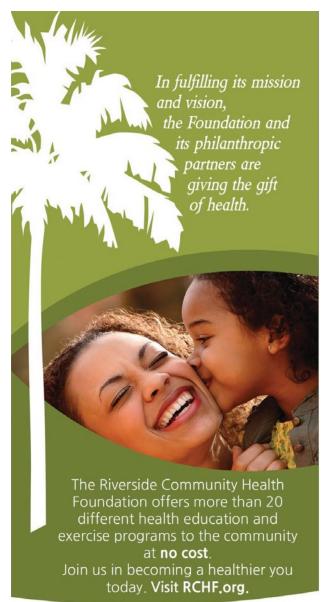
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for more details,
upcoming events, and
more

"I was already thinking of doing more physical activity and this challenge really motivated me," said Mark, past participant and Riverside resident. This year's challenge was kicked off by a Color Run at California Baptist University. Start R.I.G.H.T. participants can participate in free group exercise events throughout the challenge as well as take advantage of free gym passes and more.

Visit StartRightRiverside.com for full details and to sign up for the mailing list to be notified of next year's challenge kick off.

The Riverside Community Health Foundation offers an array of free health and exercise programs for all ages from toddlers to seniors. Visit RCHF.

org for a full calendar.





COLOR ME HEALTHY Riverside Mayor Rusty Bailey and his family at the Start RIGHT Challenge kick-off event, the Color Run, held at California Baptist University.

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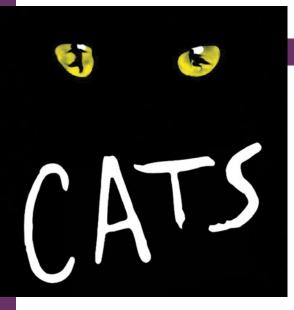
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Theater & The Arts

Lewis Family Playhouse Brings Magic And Cats In March





Broadway at the Gardens presents CATS

March 11 - 20, 2016

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber Based on 'Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats' by T.S. Eliot

n just one special night of the year, all Jellicle cats meet at the Jellicle Ball where Old Deuteronomy, their wise and benevolent leader, makes the Jellicle choice and announces which of them will go up to The Heaviside Layer and be reborn into a whole new Jellicle life. *Cats*, one of the longest-running shows on Broadway, received seven Tony awards including Best Musical. Since its world premiere, *Cats* has been presented in over 26 countries, has been translated into 10 languages and has been seen by over 50 million people world-wide. Performance dates at the Lewis Family Playhouse in Rancho Cucamonga are March 11 – 20, with performances on Fridays (March 11, 18) and Saturdays (March 12, 19) at 7:30pm and Sundays (March 13, 20) at 2pm at the Lewis Family Playhouse, 12505 Cultural Center Drive.

Tickets are priced at \$30 for General and \$28 for Senior/Youth. All Platinum Level Seating are priced at \$35 and are available online at www.lewisfamilyplayhouse.com or through the Box Office at (909) 477-2752.

It's Magic

March 26, 2016

et ready for an evening of magic you won't soon forget as Milt Larsen and Terry Hill present the 60th anniversary edition of *It's Magic!*, a dazzling all new revue featuring several award winning stars of magic, comedy, variety, sleight of hand and large stage illusions. From card tricks to death-defying stunts to sleight of hand, this production showcases the best of the magic world.

TICKETS & INFORMATION

TICKETS

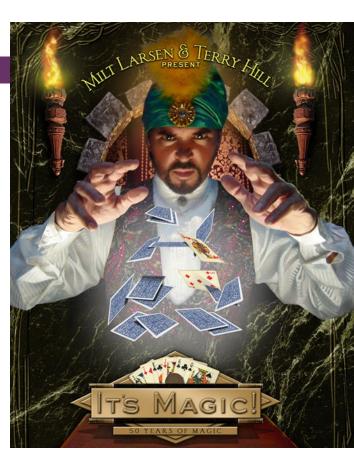
www.lewisfamilyplayhouse.com (909) 477-2752,

(877) 858-8422

Box Office: Located at the Victoria Gardens Cultural Center, 12505 Cultural Center Drive, Rancho Cucamonga. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday from noon to 6pm, and Saturday from 10am to 6pm.

Parking is theatre-adjacent and free.

It's Magic! takes place Saturday, March 26, at 8pm at the Lewis Family Playhouse, 12505 Cultural Center Drive, in Rancho Cucamonga. Tickets are priced at \$30 for General and \$28 for Senior/Youth. All Platinum Level Seating are priced at \$36 and are available online at www. lewisfamilyplayhouse.com or through the Box Office at (909) 477-2752.



Theatrical Arts International Announces Its

2016-2017 Season

At The California Theatre Of The Performing Arts

new season of award-winning Broadway shows filled with non-stop energy, enchantment and excitement are coming to the stage of the historic California Theatre of the Performing Arts during the 2016-17 season.

Presented by Theatrical Arts International, productions include the hit stage musical *Footloose*, Oct. 21-23; the magical *The Secret Garden*, March 3-5, 2017; the Andrew Lloyd Webber/Tim Rice hit *Evita*, April 7-9, 2017; and the enchanting *Cinderella*, May 19-21, 2017.

Performances for each show are 8pm Friday and Saturday, and 2pm Saturday and Sunday. Season subscriptions for all four shows are currently available from \$99 to \$235. For tickets, call (909) 885-5152 or go to www.theatricalarts.com.

"We are really excited about this lineup of shows at the California Theatre," said producer Joseph Henson with Theatrical Arts International. "There's something for everyone and we're certain audiences will love all these productions."

Footloose, based on the hit 1984 movie that starred Kevin Bacon, will have everyone "cut loose" with its youthful spirit, dazzling dance and electrifying rock 'n' roll music, with no one immune to its energy and good times.

The show tells the story of city boy Ren, who has to move to a rural backwater where dancing is banned. But soon Ren breaks loose and has the whole town on its feet to such classic '80s hit as "Holding Out for a Hero," "Let's Hear it for the Boy" and the unforgettable title track "Footloose."

The Secret Garden is the beloved English story about 11-year-old Mary Lennox, who is orphaned in India and returns to England to live with her embittered and reclusive Uncle Archibald and his invalid son Colin.

The Yorkshire estate where Mary finds herself has many wonders, including a secret garden, which beckons the children to enter, and where the spirits from her past guide her through her new life, leading to a compelling tale of forgiveness and renewal.

Featuring such songs as "Don't Cry for Me Argentina," "On This Night of a Thousand Stars," "You Must Love Me" and "Another Suitcase, Another Hall," the award-winning hit musical *Evita*

is one of musical theater's most famous shows. The Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice's hit

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Art Alliance Of Idyllwild Hosts Annual Fundraiser Wild!

The Public Is Invited To 'The Eye Of The Artist' Party

n Saturday, March 12th, from 6pm to 9am, the Art Alliance of Idyllwild will host one of its largest fundraisers of the year, *Eye of the Artist*. Art Alliance artists put their remarkable theme-inspired work forward and give attendees a chance to win a piece of original local art. This annual artists' party helps raise funds for the nonprofit's art events and education. With this year's theme being *Wild!* it is certain to be a lively event with food and drink.

The delightfully appealing Rainbow Inn, located at 54420 South Circle Dr. in Idyllwild, will once again be the congenial host for *Eye of the Artist*. John Simpson, innkeeper, is not only a local artist, art collector, and community stalwart but an exceptionally gracious host.

The Art Alliance of Idyllwild is a volunteer-based, nonprofit organization that features art events throughout the year. Visit www.artinidyllwild. org for more information.

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musical about Argentina's Eva Peron charts the story of the wife of former Argentine dictator Juan Peron, from her humble beginnings to extraordinary wealth, power and status, which ultimately led her to be called the "spiritual leader" of the nation.

Cinderella, the most beloved fairy tale of all time, comes to glorious life with a surprisingly contemporary take on the classic story of the young woman who overcomes her humble circumstances to be the princess she was destined to be.

The production features some surprising stage transformations, including the pumpkin, masked ball, glass slipper, plus some surprising twists, all that will transport audiences back to their childhoods as they rediscover this funny, uplifting and romantic experience.

The current season will finish up with *Mary Poppins*, April 8-10; *The Snow Queen*, May 20-22; and *Man Of La Mancha*, July 15-17.

Theatrical Arts International is the Inland Empire's largest theater company. It is known throughout the nation as one of the top producers in Southern California. For more than 18 years, it has been known for producing award-winning musicals, stand-up comedy, plays and concerts throughout the Southland.

THEATRICAL ARTS INTERNATIONAL 2016-2017 SEASON

- Oct. 21-23:"Footloose"
- March 3-5, 2017: "The Secret Garden""
- April 7-9, 2017: "Evita"
- May 19-21, 2017: "Cinderella"

Season tickets for all for shows are \$99-\$235.

Call (909) 885-5152; www.theatricalarts.com.

CALIFORNIA THEATRE OF THE PERFORMING ARTS

562 W. Fourth St., San Bernardino, CA 92401



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Noches con Ritmo! Doors open

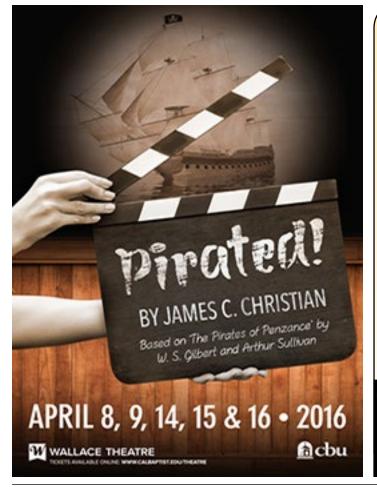
at 7pm with open dance until 12am. The event is for anyone 18 and over. Cover charge is \$5 before 9pm and \$7 after 9pm. Dance instruction begins at 7pm with Evie Quinones. Live band entertainment begins at 8:30pm with intermis-

sion music by a disc jockey.

Live entertainment lineup: BombaChante on March 10th (College Night), Opa Opa on March 24th (College Night), Chino Espinoza y Los Dueños Del Son on April 7th, Martin Padilla y Su Orquesta La Seleccion on April 21st, Mambop on May 12th, and to end the season is La Charanga Cubana on May 26th.

So come join us at Center Stage Theater at 8463 Sierra Ave. in Fontana for Noches con Ritmo! For more information visit center-stagefontana.com or contact Center Stage Theater at 909-429-7469.







APRIL 1-17

Hercule Poirot and his friend Arthur Hastings are summoned to visit Sir Claud Amory, a famous physicist, but upon their arrival at Abbot's Cleve, they discover that he has been murdered. A stolen formula could provide the motive while Poirot deduces which of Sir Claud's house guests - or family members - is the killer. The very first piece that Dame Agatha wrote for the stage, it launched a successful second career for her as a playwritght.

Sorry, no children under 5 are admitted

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY PLAYERS (951) 686-4030

4026 14th St., Riverside www.riversidecommunityplayers.com

Arabian Nights' And the transformative

AND THE TRANSFORMATIVE
POWER OF STORYTELLING TO PLAY AT CSUSB

n winter 2016, Cal State San Bernardino's theatre arts department will present *The Arabian Nights*, by Mary Zimmerman, adapted from *The Book of a Thousand Nights and One*.

This celebration of the transformative power of storytelling, directed by Kathryn Ervin, CSUSB theatre arts professor, and music composed by Allen Menton, assistant professor of music, opens Friday, March 11, and runs for nine performances through Sunday, March 20, at the CSUSB Barnes Theatre.

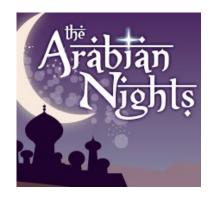
The play then moves to the Indian Wells Theater at the Palm Desert Campus for two additional performances, April 9 and 10. *The Arabian Nights* is not recommended for anyone under the age of 17.

This famous collection of stories spans many centuries and includes literature and folklore

from across Asia, the Middle East and North Africa. This spellbinding adaptation offers a blend of lesser-known tales using improvisation and movement to remind us all of the power of stories to soften our hearts.

The Sultan Shahryar is heartbroken by his unfaithful wife. In an infamous act of revenge he marries, loves, then kills his brides – until the fateful day he weds Scheherazade, a clever young woman who delays her death by intriguing the mad king with tales of laughter, love, lust, sorrow and dreams. For 1,001 nights Scheherazade concludes one tale, then begins a second one, prolonging her life in an attempt to sway her husband's cold heart.

Playwright Zimmerman is the renowned director and author behind plays such as *Journey to the West, Metamorphoses, Notebooks of Leonardo*

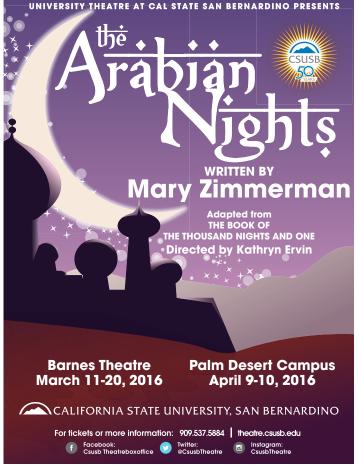


da Vinci, Secret in the Wings, and Argonautika. She was the recipient of the MacArthur Fellowship in 1998, and the winner of a Tony Award for Best Direction in 2002 for her work on Metamorphoses. Her adaptation of The Arabian Nights was completed in 1992, earning her a nomination in 1994 for a Drama Desk Award (Outstanding Director of a Play).

Individual and season tickets can be purchased from the CSUSB Theatre Arts Box Office by phone at (909) 537-5884, or online at theatre.csusb.edu.

Tickets are \$6 for students and children under 17; \$12 for faculty, staff, senior citizens and military; \$15 for general admission. Performances take place in the Ronald E. Barnes Theatre on the CSUSB campus. Parking at CSUSB is \$6 Monday-Friday and \$3 on weekends.





Inland Pacific Ballet Presents 'The Little Mermaid'



An Enchanted Underwater Adventure, April 16 - 24 in Riverside and Claremont

nland Pacific Ballet's spectacular landmark production of *The Little Mermaid* boasts magnificent sets (even a live shipwreck!), a cast of delightful sea creatures, ornate costumes, puppetry and beautiful dance to create a magical ocean world with a cast of delightful undersea creatures which are a feast for the eyes.

A sweeping sound collage of music from great composers such as Maurice Ravel, Claude Debussy, Benjamin Britten and Ralph Vaughan Williams bring the story of the Little Mermaid to life in this enchanting undersea adventure. Innovative aerial technology and a surprise ending awaits as the Little Mermaid's adventures come to life.

Based on the original fairy tale by Hans Christian Andersen about a young mermaid willing to give up her life in the sea and her identity as a mermaid to gain a human soul.

The Little Mermaid is performed at two locations: Fox Performing Arts Center, 3801 Mission Inn Ave., in Riverside., Saturday, April 16, at 2pm and 7:30pm; Bridges Auditorium, Pomona College, 450 North College Way, in Claremont, Saturday, April 23, at 2pm and 7:30pm, Sunday, April 24, at 2pm.

For more information and tickets, go online to IPBAL-LET.org. Tickets are on sale from \$24 with senior/child/group discounts available.

Inland Pacific Ballet was founded in 1994 by Southern California natives Victoria Koenig and Kevin Myers, and has quickly become one of Southern California's cultural jewels. Its mission is to build and sustain a professional ballet company of national stature in the Inland Empire of Southern California, committed to producing exquisitely staged productions of full-length classic story ballets as well as presenting the best in contemporary choreography.



Photos by E.Y. Yanagi.







THEATRE & ARTS EVENT GUIDE

ART DEPOT GALLERY

In the Helen Putnam Historical Plaza, in downtown Fontana. Visual arts programs, gallery exhibits and events. 16822 Spring St. (909) 349-6900. arts.fontana.org.

CAL BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

8432 Magnolia Ave, Riverside. Wallace Theatre.

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www.calbaptist.edu. Box office: (951) 343-4319. **PIRATES:** April 8, 9, 14, 15, 16.



CAL STATE UNIVERSITY SAN BERNARDINO

(909) 537-5884 theatre.csusb.edu **ARABIAN NIGHTS:** See article on page 22.

CALIFORNIA THEATER OF THE PERFORMING ARTS

(909) 885-5152; www.theatricalarts.com. 562 W. Fourth St., San Bernardino.

THE 2-16-2017 SEASON:

See article on page 19. Season tickets for all for shows are \$99-\$235.

THE CAVE

40789 Village Dr. Big Bear Lake. The Cave is a 400-seat concert venue, located in the heart of Big Bear Village. www.thecavebigbear.com. POLAR PLUNGE PRE PARTY: March 4. KISSED ALIVE: March 5. SHWAYZE: March 25. REVEREND HORTON HEAT: March 26. OZOMATLI: April 2.



CENTER STAGE THEATER

8463 Sierra Ave., Fontana. (909) 429-7469. centerstagefontana.com. NOCHES CON RITMO:

Thursday nights. Salsa lessons 7pm, open dance 8pm. Dancing, live entertainment, appetizers. \$5 before 9pm, \$7 after 9pm. 18+ event. 7pm - Midnight. See article on page 21.

MEMPHIS: Through March 6.

CHAFFEY COLLEGE

5885 Haven Ave., Rancho Cucamonga (909) 652-6067 www.chaffey.edu/theatre_ tickets

THE FANTASTICKS: March 3, 4, 5, 7:30pm and March 6, 2pm.

CITIZENS BUSINESS BANK ARENA

4000 E. Ontario Center Parkway, Ontario. www.cbbankarena.com. EZEQUIEL PENA: March 27.

DESERT ART FESTIVAL

Fine arts festivals in Palm Springs, March 5-6 and March 19-20, 10am to 5pm. Free parking and free admission. Frances Stevens Park, 538 N. Palm Canyon Dr. in Palm Springs. (818) 813-4478. www.westcoastartists.com.



THE EYE OF THE ARTIST PARTY

March 12, 6-9pm, presented by the Art Alliance of Idyllwild. See article on page 20.

FALLBROOK ART CENTER

Sculpture, painting, printmaking, wildlife, glass, ceramic, and photography fine art shows.

103 S. Main St., Fallbrook. fallbrookartcenter.org.
(760) 728-1414.

FONTANA COMMUNITY SENIOR CENTER ART GALLERY

The art gallery is located on the Center's upper level in the Library and Art Gallery Corridor, 16710 Ceres Ave., in Fontana. (909) 349-6975. arts.fontana.org.

FOX PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

In Downtown Riverside, 3801 Mission Inn Ave. Tickets are available at the Fox Box Office, LiveNation. com, ticketmaster.com, or charge by phone at (951) 779-9800. For information, visit riversidelive.com. JOE SATRIANI: March 3.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY
PHILHARMONIC PRESENTS
"MATCH MADE IN
HEAVEN": March 5.
CASABLANCA: March 6.

FORBIDDEN BROADWAY: March 12. See article on page 25.

PETER FRAMPTON RAW, AN ACOUSTIC TOUR: March

PUSCIFER: March 17. ELVIS COSTELLO: April 5. JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT: April 10.



LEWIS FAMILY PLAYHOUSE

12505 Cultural Center Dr., Rancho Cucamonga. Tickets available at lewisfamilyplayhouse.com, (909) 477-2752.

CATS: March 11-20. See article on page 18. IT'S MAGIC: March 26. See article on page 18.



THE LITTLE MERMAID

Presented by Inland Pacific Ballet, performed April 16-24 in Riverside and Claremont. See article on page 23.

RIVERSIDE ART MUSEUM

Send your events to ier@inlandreview.com or go online to www.inlandreview.com.

3425 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside. (951) 684-7111. riversideartmuseum.org. Admission: Members: Free. Military Families (with I.D.): Free. Children under 12: Free. General admission: \$5. Students (with I.D.), Seniors (65+), and Educators: \$3.



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AGATHA CHRISTIE'S BLACK COFFEE: April 1-17.

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RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

3485 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside. (951) 779-9800. venue.riversiderma.com. **LED ZEPAGAIN - TRIBUTE TO LED ZEPPELIN:** March 25.

SAN BERNARDINO SYMPHONY

198 N. Arrowhead Ave., San Bernardino. (909) 381-5388 sanbernardinosymphony.org. MASTERWORK MELANGE: March 26.

Forbidden Broadway At The Fox Performing Arts Center In Riverside

Tickets On Sale Now!



he side-splitting savagery known as *Forbidden Broadway* is on the road again with their newest edition, proving the enduring appeal of the show's wicked, wicked ways. The fall-down funny musical comes

to the Fox Performing Arts Center in Riverside for two shows only on Saturday, March 12, at 2pm (1pm doors) and 7pm (6pm doors).

Tickets are available at riversidelive.com, ticketmaster.com, at the Fox Performing Arts Center Box Office or by phone at 800-745-3000.

The madly inventive Gerard Alessandrini

returns with his scathing homage to Broadway's biggest shows and brightest stars. Roasts include "Book of Mormon," "Once (is enough)," and new looks at old favorites "Les Miz," "Beauty and the Beast," "The Lion King" and "Chicago." Rounding out the laughs are "Rock of Ages" and "Jersey Boys," with lots more Broadway past and present.

The New York Post says that *Forbidden Broadway* is "gut-busting funny!" and the New York Times calls it "Consistently riotous!" *Forbidden Broadway* is the recipient of the 2006 Tony Award for Excellence in Theatre, an Obie award, the Outer Critics Circle Award and the 2005 Drama Desk Award for Best Off Broadway Musical.

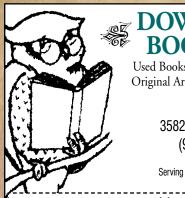
For more information, visit riversidelive.com.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW! Ticketmaster.com FOX PERFORMING ARTS CENTER BOX OFFICE riversidelive.com 800-745-3000

'Dust Devils' Writing Contest

The Downtowne Bookstore wants to get your words in print!

RELEASE YOUR INNER NOVELIST! Riverside's Downtowne Bookstore, with the Inland Entertainment Review, is sponsoring a contest to help you get published, at least in a very short form. Each month, the Downtowne Bookstore will choose a mini-novel of 75 words (yes, 75 words), called Dust Devils. Send your mini-novel to: Dust Devils, c/o Downtowne Bookstore, 3582 Main St., in Riverside, CA 92501, and receive the fame of your novel and name printed in the IER, and a prize of a \$10 gift certificate from the Downtowne Bookstore. Submissions must be typed, double-spaced, and sent by snail mail. Submissions become the property of Downtowne Bookstore and are subject to editing.



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CASINOS

AGUA CALIENTE CASINO

(866) 858-3600. www.hotwatercasino.com. 32-250 Bob Hope Drive, Rancho Mirage. RICK SPRINGFIELD: March 3.

KOREAN CONCERT FEATURING BAEK Z. YOUNG: March 5. PLACIDO DOMINGO AND RENEE FLEMING: March 20. TOWER OF POWER: March 26. MANNY PACQUIAO VS. TIMOTHY BRADLEY: April 9.

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FANTASY SPRINGS RESORT CASINO

For tickets and information, call (760) 342-5000, (800) 827-2946 or visit fantasyspringsresort.com. **JULIO IGLESIAS:** March 5. **NELLY:** March 12.

NATALIA LAFOURCADE: March 18. SMOKEY ROBINSON: March 19. GOLDEN BOY BOXING: March 25. OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN: March 26. LOS LOBOS & LOS LONELY BOYS:

April 1. **IL VOLO:** April 2.

MORONGO CASINO

(800) 252-4499. morongocasinoresort.com. 49750 Seminole Dr., Cabazon.

PESADO: March 4, 9pm. .38 SPECIAL: March 11, 9pm. THE SPAZMATICS, THE ULTIMATE NEW WAVE 80'S SHOW: March 11,

11pm. **HOTTMESS:** March 25, 11pm.

THE B-52S: April 1, 9pm.
THUNDER FROM DOWN UNDER:

April 8, 9pm.

VILLAGE PEOPLE: April 8, 11pm.

PECHANGA RESORT & CASINO

(951) 693-1819. www.pechanga.com. 45000 Pala Road, Temecula. Box Office (951) 303-2507. MIKE MEZMER: March 3, 8pm. LEWIS BLACK: March 4.8pm. **TINH TU MUA XUAN:** March 19, 4pm and 8pm.

SMOKEY ROBINSON: March 18,

8pm. **HEARTTHROBS RELOADED:** March

26, 8pm, and March 27, 5pm.

IL VOLO: April 1, 8pm.

YUYAR EASTER CONCERT USA

TOURING: April 2, 8pm.
K-FROG CARES CONCERT "KIP
MOORE AND CLARE DUNN": April
6, 7pm.

SAN MANUEL INDIAN BINGO AND CASINO

(909) 864-5050. www.sanmanuel.com 5797 North Victoria Avenue, Highland. MARTIN LAWRENCE: March 3. FREESTYLE DANCE PARTY: March

ANGELES OCHOA & MARIACHI REYNA: March 24.

SOBOBA CASINO

(951) 665-1000 or (866) 4-SOBOBA. www.soboba.com. 23333 Soboba Road, San Jacinto.

SPA RESORT CASINO

(760) 323-5865. www.sparesortcasino.com. 401 E. Amado Rd., Palm Springs.

CHARLES KELLEY: March 5. CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVISITED: March 18. TESLA: March 26. SUGAR RAY: April 9.

SPOTLIGHT 29 CASINO

46-200 Harrison Place, Coachella. www.spotlight29.com. (800) 585-3737 or (760) 775-5566. **THE GAP BAND:** March 5.

ELI YOUNG BAND: March 19.
HAPPY TOGETHER TOUR: March 26.
LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE: April 8.

FAIRS, FESTIVALS, EVENTS

CANYON CREST TOWNE CENTRE

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EASTER EGG HUNT AND SPRING CELEBRATION: March 26, 10am to 1pm. See article on page 7.

LIFE STREAM BLOOD DRIVE: April 4, 2-6pm.

ALLIE'S HALLMARK SIDEWALK SALE: April 9, 9am-4pm.

MIGLIONE'S GOURMET FOODS COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS:

Through March, Wedensdays and Fridays. www.miglioregourmet. **CAR SHOW:** 2nd Sunday of each

month. 1 - 4pm.



CIRCUS VARGAS

See article on page 12.

CITIZENS BUSINESS BANK ARENA

4000 E. Ontario Center Parkway, Ontario.

www.cbbankarena.com

ONTARIO REIGN AND ONTARIO

FURY: See website for match dates and times.

KING OF THE CAGE: March 5, 6pm.

March 27th

EZEQUIEL PENA & LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE: March 27. 6pm.

2016 AMSOIL ARENACROSS: Featuring Ricky Carmichael's Road to

Supercross, April 1-3.

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Open air shopping, Saturdays and Sundays, 7am to Noon, with new merchandise, an arts section, food court, entertainment and farmers market. On the College of the Desert campus, 43-500 Monterey Ave., Palm Desert. (760) 636-7958. www.codstreetfair.net.

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET IN RIVERSIDE

Main Street between 5th and 6th Streets, a wide variety of novelty and fresh food, every Saturday in downtown Riverside, 8am to 1pm. www.riversideca.gov.

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March 5, Noon to 5pm., at Christ The King Lutheran Church, 1505 Ford St. in Redlands. Contact Gina at (909) 800-5202. Free admission, great clothes and accessories starting as low as \$5, vendors, hair, make-up, and clothing consultants on site.



FONTANA EASTER EVENTS

Egg hunts, games, arts and crafts, March 26. At Cypress Center, 8380 Cypress Ave., 10am-12pm, (909) 349-6988; Don Day Center, 14501 Live Oak Ave., 8am-12pm, (909) 349-6997 (includes a pancake breakfast from 8-9:30am); and Jessie Turner Center, 15556 Summit Ave., 10am-1pm, (909) 854-5100. Activities will vary per site. events. fontana.org. (909) 349-6900

FONTANA FARMERS' MARKETS

The City of Fontana offers two Farmers' Market locations. For more information, go online to farmersmarket.fontana.org.



GROWRIVERSIDE CONFERENCE

At UC Riverside, focusing on knowledge to create local food systems and more. The conference is followed by the Citrus Circle Farm-To-Fork Dinner, and on March 22 by the Farm Field Trip. See article on page 14.



POMONA QUILT, CRAFT, AND SEWING FESTIVAL

See article on page 6.



RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY FLOWER SHOW AND GARDEN TOURS

April 16-17. See article on page 10.



SPRING EGGSTRAVAGANZA

A festive, family event with a wide range of activities, March 19. See article on page 11.

MOUNTAIN ACTIVITIES



ALPINE SLIDE AT MAGIC MOUNTAIN

Enjoy fun in Big Bear. Bobsled-like ride, go-karts and miniature golf and more. Alpine Slide at Magic Mountain is located in Big Bear Lake, 800 Wild Rose Lane. Call (909) 866-4626. Also nearby is Big Bear Snow Play, on Big Bear Blvd., (909) 585-0075. www.alpineslidebigbear.com. See article on page 5.



BIG BEAR ALPINE ZOO

A wildlife alpine collection of more than 190 animals. Open Mon.-Fri., 10am to 4pm, and Sat. & Sun. 10am to 5pm, weather permitting. (909) 584-1299. www.bigbearalpinezoo.org.

MUSEUMS

CABOT'S PUEBLO MUSEUM

In Desert Hot Springs. Museum collection includes Native American pottery and baskets, artifacts and other treasures. cabotsmuseum.org. (760) 329-7610.

EDWARD-DEAN MUSEUM & GARDENS

9401 Oak Glen Rd., Cherry Valley. (951) 845-2626. www.edward-

deanmuseum.org. The Museum is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10am to 5pm and is closed on county holidays. Admission is \$5; children 12 and under are free. The Museum's permanent collections are primarily 16th through 19th century European and Asian decorative arts.

THE HISTORIC SITE OF THE ORIGINAL MCDONALDS/ROUTE 66 MUSEUM

Toys, collectables, photo memorabilia, vintage road signs. Open 10am-5pm daily. 1398 N. E St., San Bernardino. Free admission. (909) 885-6324.

IDYLLWILD NATURE CENTER

25225 Hwy. 243, 1/2 mile north of Idyllwild. (951) 659-3850. www.idyllwildnaturecenter.net. Open Tues.-Sun., 9am-4:30pm.

THE INLAND EMPIRE MILITARY MUSEUM

WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Gulf, Iraq and Afghanistan wars military memorabilia. Open Sat. and Sun., 10am-5pm, Mon.-Fri. by appointment. 1394 N. E St. in San Bernardino. Free admission. (909) 885-6324 or (909) 888-0477.



LINCOLN MEMORIAL SHRINE

In Redlands, museum of Abraham Lincoln and Civil War-era. Open Tuesday-Sunday, 1-5pm, closed on major holidays. (909) 798-7632. www.lincolnshrine.org.



ORANGE EMPIRE RAILWAY MUSEUM

2201 S. A St., Perris. (951) 943-3020. www.oerm.org.

SPRING RAILROADIANA SWAP

MEET: March 5. See article on page 9.

BUNNY TRAIN: An Easter eggstravaganza, March 12-13. *See article on page 8.*

IRON HORSE FAMILY STEAMPUNK CARNIVALE: March 19-20. See article on page 8.

PALM SPRINGS AIR MUSEUM

An educational non-profit organization with over 28 flyable planes and interactive exhibits housed in 60,000 square feet of climate-controlled hangars. 745 N. Gene Autry Trail, Palm Springs, (760) 778-6262. www.PalmSpringsAirMuseum.

PLANES OF FAME AIR MUSEUM

The museum is open Sunday through Friday from 10am to 5pm, Saturday from 9am to 5pm. 7000 Merrill Ave., Chino. (909) 597-3722. www.planesoffame.org.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY MUSEUM

2024 Orange Tree Lane in Redlands. Open Tuesdays - Sundays, 9am-5pm. General admission \$8 (adult), \$6 (military or senior), \$5 (student), and \$4 (child aged 5 to 12). Children under five and Museum Association members are admitted free. Parking is free. www.sbcountymuseum.org. (909) 307-2669.

WALLY PARKS NHRA MOTORSPORTS MUSEUM

Open Wednesday - Sunday 10am-5pm. The Museum features over 80 historical race cars from several venues. Racing memorabilia spanning the History of NHRA, specialty exhibits rotate throughout the year. Huge museum gift shop and so much more! (909) 622-2133. 1101 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona, Gate 1, LA County Fairplex. www.nhramuseum.org.

THEME PARKS

CASTLE PARK

Rides, games and miniature golf. 3500 Polk Ave., Riverside. (951) 785-3000. www.castlepark.com.

KNOTT'S BERRY FARM

With over 165 rides, shows and attractions in five themed areas, Knott's Berry Farm has it all when it comes to family fun. Buena Park. www.knotts.com. [13]





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