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Could a King’s game crown Santa Monica as event royalty?

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Santa Monica’s economy has taken a beating in recent years but officials hope putting some ice on it will help. The Santa Monica City Council is holding negotiations with the LA Kings for an outdoor game, which would occupy not only the Pier address but also Beach Parking

Lot 1 North and a sand area of approximately 15,000 square feet north of the beach bike path — bordered on the east by the bike path, on the west by the Pacific Ocean, and running to Lifeguard Tower 14.

It’s one of two negotiations scheduled for Tuesday night (the other is price and terms of a license

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Whole Foods stabbing caps violent stretch in Venice

A trip to the Whole Foods near Lincoln Boulevard and Rose Avenue turned violent Saturday evening when police say a 51-year-old man was stabbed in the arm at the grocery store — the third stabbing or edged-weapon attack reported in Venice since Thursday morning.

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) said the incident was reported around 5:25 p.m. The victim suffered a laceration after police said a suspect

stabbed him in the arm.

The man was transported to a hospital. His condition was not immediately available.

LAPD said officers took the suspect into custody.

The stabbing comes during a violent stretch in Venice.

On Thursday morning, a stabbing near Horizon Avenue and Main Street sent one person to the hospital and triggered a police search before the suspect was arrested. LAPD said the

confrontation appeared to involve a mutual fight.

Hours later, police said a verbal dispute in the 700 block of Rose Avenue escalated into a sword attack that nearly severed a man’s arm. LAPD said the weapon was a 16-inch sword. The suspect in that attack was arrested Saturday afternoon on Venice Beach, according to LAPD.

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Republic Pictures acquires ‘The Hollywood Rabbi’ documentary on Marvin Hier from local director

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

Republic Pictures has acquired “The Hollywood Rabbi,” a feature-length documentary directed by a Santa Monica resident chronicling the life of Rabbi Marvin Hier, founder of the Simon Wiesenthal Center and Museum of Tolerance.

The film, directed by local resident and SMMUSD Boardmember Jon Kean, traces Hier’s path from an Orthodox Jewish enclave on the Lower East Side of Manhattan to international prominence as a two-time Academy Award winner and a confidant of world leaders and Hollywood power brokers. It is scheduled to make its world premiere May 12 as the opening-night selection of the Los Angeles Jewish Film Festival at the Saban Theatre in Beverly Hills.

“Republic Pictures is proud to support films that spark conversation and illuminate the remarkable lives shaping our cultural landscape,” said Sejin Croninger, executive vice president of worldwide acquisitions for Paramount Pictures. “The



Courtesy image

DOCUMENTARY: Clinton with Santa Monica resident Jon Kean who directed the film.

‘Hollywood Rabbi’ is a dynamic portrait of a singular figure whose influence spans continents and decades, and we’re honored to bring this story to audiences.”

The 88-minute documentary features an extensive roster of political and entertainment figures who agreed to interviews because of their connections to Hier. Among them are former President Bill Clinton, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Billy Crystal, California Gov. Gavin Newsom, Netflix co-CEO Ted Sarandos, DreamWorks co-founder Jeffrey Katzenberg and social media personality Montana Tucker.

Promotional materials for the premiere note that Hier’s career has brought him into the orbit of three popes, four kings, eight presidents and a long list of Hollywood figures, including Frank Sinatra, who counted Hier as his personal rabbi. Hier’s two Oscars were awarded for the documentaries “Genocide” and “The Long Way Home.”

Kean, whose previous films include “Swimming in Auschwitz”

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Santa Monica to overhaul boards and commissions, create restorative justice panel

MATTHEW HALL
 Daily Press Editor

The Santa Monica City Council will consider a sweeping restructuring of the city's boards and commissions Tuesday, including the creation of a new Restorative Justice Commission funded in part by a multimillion-dollar deal with the RAND Corporation.

The proposal, scheduled for first reading at the council's May 12 meeting, would consolidate several commissions, shrink membership rosters and formalize a task force as a standing commission — changes city staff say will make the volunteer advisory program more efficient and impactful beginning July 1.

The centerpiece of the overhaul is the establishment of a seven-member Restorative Justice Commission charged with developing program criteria, eligibility standards and oversight mechanisms for a broader city restorative justice initiative. Appointees must be Santa Monica residents with subject matter expertise in restorative justice or lived experience representing communities affected by historical inequities.

The commission stems from a January 27 council direction tied to the Ebony Beach Club matter, in which the city approved allocating \$3.5 million in one-time funds from a deal with the RAND Corporation toward the Restorative Justice Program. An additional \$2 million from the same deal is reserved for future program support.

The new commission would replace the former staff-developed Landback + Reparations Task Force. Any recommendations it develops would return to the full council for public review and formal adoption before taking effect.

Other changes moving forward under the proposal include consolidating the Housing Commission and Human Services Commission into a single Housing and

Human Services Commission with seven members, two of whom must be affordable housing participants — one aged 62 or older and one who is unhoused or formerly unhoused.

The Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission would shrink from 11 members to seven in phases, with two seats dissolved after June 30, 2026 and two more after June 30, 2027. The age range for two designated younger commissioners would expand from 18-22 to 18-25.

The Arts Commission would similarly be reduced from nine members to seven. The ordinance would also remove an outdated requirement that commissioners belong to the Santa Monica Arts Foundation and update the list of artistic disciplines recognized for membership.

The Urban Forest Task Force, currently an informal city body, would be converted into a standing commission under the plan, with current members reappointed to new staggered terms.

Staff is also recommending the Disabilities Commission — kept as a standalone body after the council rejected merging it into the new housing and human services panel — be reduced from 11 members to seven on a phased timeline similar to other bodies.

On the Airport Commission, staff reported that past state Fair Political Practices Commission rulings in 2014 and 2016 found that airport commissioners are not "public officials" under conflict-of-interest laws, addressing concerns raised at a January study session. Any change to the commission's composition would require a City Charter amendment and a public vote. Such a measure could cost approximately \$77,225 if placed on the November 2026 ballot.

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Lawsuit blames ChatGPT maker OpenAI for helping plan a school shooting

The widow of a man killed in last year's mass shooting at Florida State University is suing ChatGPT maker OpenAI, blaming the company's artificial intelligence chatbot for giving advice on how to carry out the rampage.

The lawsuit, filed Sunday in federal court, says OpenAI should have built ChatGPT with guardrails to let someone know that police may need to investigate "to prevent a specific plan for imminent harm to the public."

OpenAI has denied any wrongdoing in what it called a "terrible crime."

"In this case, ChatGPT provided factual responses to questions with information that could be found broadly across public sources on the internet, and it did not encourage or promote illegal or harmful activity," Drew Pusateri, a spokesman for the company, said in an email to The Associated Press.

Separately, in April, Florida's attorney general said there was a rare criminal investigation into ChatGPT over whether the AI tool offered advice to Phoenix Ikner that enabled the April 2025 shooting in Tallahassee. The 21-year-old has pleaded not guilty to two counts of first-degree murder and several counts of attempted murder. Prosecutors intend to seek the death penalty.

Investigators said Ikner, a Florida State student, was on campus for an hour before he walked in and out of campus buildings and green spaces while firing a handgun. The shooting took place on a weekday just before lunchtime near the school's Student Union, which has food and shops. The lawsuit says Ikner asked ChatGPT about the busiest times there.

Joshi's husband, a 45-year-old father of two from Greenville, South Carolina, was a regional vice president of the food service vendor Aramark Collegiate Hospitality. The other man who was killed, Robert Morales, 57, was a campus dining coordinator at Florida State.

OpenAI "put their profits over our safety and it killed my husband. They need to be responsible before another family has to go through this," Joshi said in a statement released by her lawyer.

OpenAI is currently valued at \$852 billion. Several lawsuits have sought damages from AI and tech companies over the influence of chatbots and social media on loved ones' mental health.

In March, a jury in Los Angeles found both Meta and YouTube liable for harms to children using their services. In New Mexico, a jury determined that Meta knowingly harmed children's mental health and concealed what it knew about child sexual exploitation on its platforms.

By JEFF MARTIN Associated Press. Associated Press reporter Ed White in Detroit contributed.

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- Drew Pusateri

The lawsuit comes after state authorities disclosed that ChatGPT gave information to the shooter about what time and location would maximize victims on campus, as well as the type of gun and ammunition to use. Authorities say he was also told that an attack can get more media attention if children are involved.

"OpenAI knew this would happen. It's happened before and it was only a matter of time before it happened again," Vandana Joshi, whose husband Tiru Chabba was one of two people killed, said in a statement Monday. Six people were also wounded.



Surf report WATER TEMP: 64.4

TUESDAY | **SURF:** 3-4ft
FAIR | Waist to chest

Fun SSW swell for the points and beachbreaks west of Dume still kinda in play. Nothing big but surf is fun as SSW swell holds with NW swell mix offering enough energy to keep the beachbreaks in play - at least on occasion. Think size in the waist occ. chest high range, as summer and combo focal points push chest-head high at times. Clean early morning window. Onshore flow develops through the mid to late morning, bumps up in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY | **SURF:** 2-3ft+
FAIR | Thigh to stomach

Surf dips as swell eases, still fun. Light winds due early morning. SSW swell slowly fades, along with a little NW swell mix, for waves mainly running thigh-stomach high, while top open exposures hit chest-shoulder high in the morning. Light+ SE shifting S winds in the morning, for cleanest conditions west of Dume. Low-end moderate WW-W onshores in the afternoon favor the points.

Weather

Tuesday: Cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 62. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Tuesday Night: Cloudy, with a low around 57. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light southwest.

Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 60. Light and variable wind becoming southwest 5 to 10 mph in the morning.

Wednesday Night: Cloudy, with a low around 56.

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2026/05/12	Tue	12:36 PM	0.66 L
2026/05/12	Tue	7:07 PM	5.00 H
2026/05/13	Wed	01:37 AM	0.60 L
2026/05/13	Wed	07:32 AM	3.87 H
2026/05/13	Wed	1:10 PM	0.85 L
2026/05/13	Wed	7:35 PM	5.58 H
2026/05/14	Thu	02:20 AM	-0.21 L
2026/05/14	Thu	08:27 AM	3.91 H
2026/05/14	Thu	1:45 PM	1.08 L
2026/05/14	Thu	8:07 PM	6.12 H
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Mega#: 16
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Mega#: 4
Jackpot: 19 M

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Name Change

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Driver rescinds guilty plea in wrong-way crash into LA sheriff's recruits

A driver has rescinded his guilty plea on charges related to a wrong-way crash that led to the death of a Los Angeles sheriff's recruit and injured other recruits who were out on a run, his lawyer said Saturday.

Nicholas Gutierrez of Diamond Bar, withdrew his plea after more than a dozen crash victims spoke in court Friday and the judge decided to sentence him to a year in jail, lawyer Alexandra Kazarian said.

"Based on the fact that he has been diagnosed with a seizure disorder, we have withdrawn the plea and will go to trial," Kazarian said.

In a deal with prosecutors, Gutierrez had agreed to receive an eight-year suspended prison sentence and be placed on probation for five years for pleading guilty to one count of vehicular manslaughter with gross negligence and nine counts of reckless driving causing injuries.

A message seeking comment was sent to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office.

Authorities have said Gutierrez was driving an SUV that veered onto the wrong side of the road in suburban Whittier in 2022, striking 25 recruits who were out on a morning run. They were part of a large group that was running in formation.

Authorities said the investigation found Gutierrez appeared to have fallen asleep while

“Based on the fact that he has been diagnosed with a seizure disorder, we have withdrawn the plea and will go to trial

- Alexandra Kazarian

driving. Ten recruits were seriously injured including Alejandro Martinez, who died from his injuries eight months later.

— Associated Press

EVENTS

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with Fever Lab, Inc. for use of property at 200 Santa Monica Pier) that are part of an ongoing effort to revitalize the City's fortunes based around events and entertainment.

The NHL has been expanding its outdoor games over the past 10 years under three brands, the NHL Winter Classic, the NHL Heritage Classic and the Stadium Series. Games travel to different cities under each brand and the inaugural Stadium Series was previously hosted by the Kings at Dodger Stadium in 2014. A 2026 outdoor game in Florida was made possible by building the rink in a temperature controlled tent that was removed prior to the game's start.

The negotiations come as Santa Monica executes an ambitious events-driven recovery plan following a fiscal-distress declaration last year.

The declaration cited a projected structural deficit of approximately \$29.6 million by fiscal year 2026-27, fueled in part by more than \$229 million in sex-abuse settlement payouts tied to the Uller case and compounded by a 26.8% pandemic-era drop in General Fund revenue.

The effects have been visible. The Third Street Promenade has posted increasing vacancy rates. Recent departures include H&M, AMC Theatres, Anthropologie and Nordstrom. Foot traffic on the Promenade dropped more than 40% between July 2017 and July 2023.

Tourism, which accounts for roughly 46% of General Fund revenues, has also stalled. The city drew 4.2 million visitors in 2024, generating \$916.6 million in spending and \$62.7 million in transient occupancy tax — but that visitor total is half the 8.4 million

recorded in 2019. TOT revenue fell 10% and sales tax revenue fell 6% in fiscal year 2024-25.

City officials have responded with an events and entertainment strategy they describe as central to a citywide recovery. In December 2025, the council approved five major event partnerships — including with concert promoter Goldenvoice, ESPN, Club France and hospitality company Hochsitz/Silverback — anchored by a \$3 million economic development fund and the launch of Southern California's first Entertainment Zone on the Promenade.

The Goldenvoice deal, the most prominent piece of the strategy, calls for a one-day ticketed beachfront music festival in fall 2026 on approximately 12.5 acres south of the Pier, with 30,000 to 35,000 attendees and 12 to 15 performing acts. The event is planned to recur annually through 2028. A Michelob ULTRA Pitchside Club tied to the FIFA World Cup is slated for the Pier in June 2026, and ESPN has agreed to broadcast from the Pier and beach during Super Bowl week in February 2027. Club France is planned at the Annenberg Community Beach House during the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics.

A revised financial outlook released with the Realignment Plan update in March 2026 projected General Fund surpluses through fiscal year 2030 — a sharp reversal from the deficit projections issued just months earlier. Officials have cautioned, however, that the projection depends on whether the events strategy delivers sustained gains in TOT, sales tax and parking revenues alongside public safety investments aimed at restoring foot traffic downtown.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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Santa Monica Conservancy to Celebrate 10 Years at Historic Shotgun House

The Santa Monica Conservancy will host a free, block-party-style gathering on Sunday, May 17, from 2 to 4 p.m. to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Preservation Resource Center at the historic Shotgun House.

The event will be held at the Shotgun House at 2520 Second St. Registration is available online at smc.givecloud.co/10thbirthday.

Built in 1897 and recognized as the last intact “shotgun house” in Santa Monica, the structure has experienced multiple relocations, careful restoration and long-term care by the community. Since 2016, the Shotgun House has served as a resource for residents, visitors, property owners, students, young professionals and others interested in how historic places tell community stories.

“The Shotgun House reflects what is possible when a community comes together to care for its history,” said Mario Fonda-Bonardi, president of the Santa Monica Conservancy. “This anniversary is an opportunity to celebrate that work, and to welcome others to experience the site and take part in its ongoing stewardship.”

The event will feature live music, light bites, a “10th Birthday” cake, Shotgun House storytelling and recognition of the community that helped save the structure from demolition in 1997. The Conservancy will also recognize attorney Ken Kutcher of Harding Larmore Kutcher & Kozal LLP, who provided pro-bono legal advice for the Shotgun House and is a longtime supporter of the Conservancy’s work.

To commemorate the anniversary, the Conservancy is launching the Birthday Benefactors initiative, a \$100 donation campaign to support continued stewardship of the Shotgun House. Birthday Benefactors will have their names placed on a large birthday card displayed at the event and inside the Shotgun House for one year.

Interested parties may RSVP and sign the “10th Birthday” card in advance at smc.givecloud.co/10th-birthday.

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The Shotgun House reflects what is possible when a community comes together to care for its history

- Mario Fonda-Bonardi, president of the Santa Monica Conservancy

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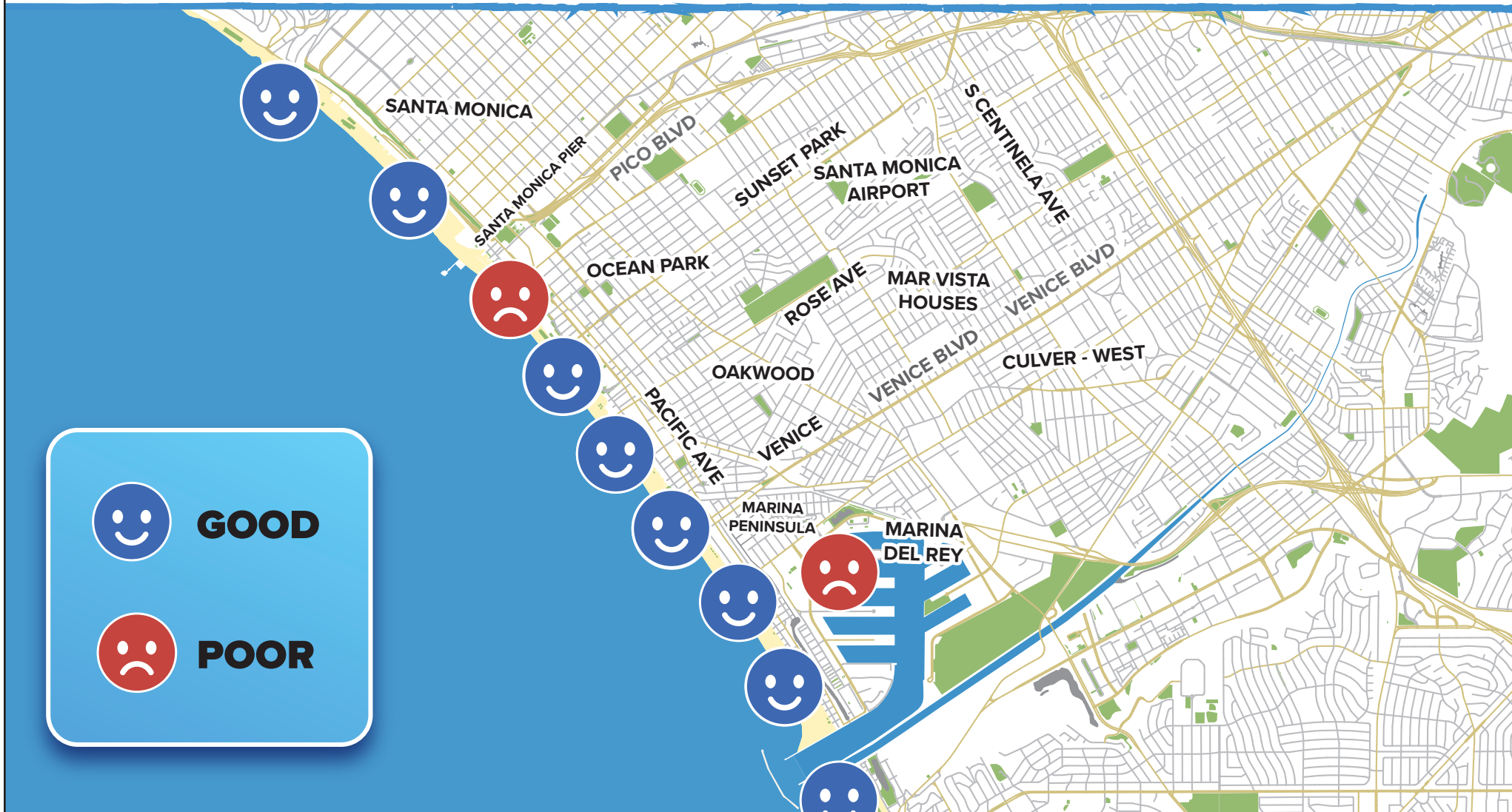


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CELEBRATION: Santa Monica Conservancy celebrates 10 years at the Shotgun House with free block party May 17.

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HEAL THE BAY BEACH GRADES



Before We Close, Let's Talk Airport.

Let's Discuss the Facts

Tell City Council: Keep the Airport Open

FACT: Billions of Dollars?

Estimates discussed during the City's airport planning process have put a full park buildout possibly at billions of dollars *but there is still no official cost, no funding plan, and no economic impact report.*

FACT: *There is no fully funded plan for the "Great Park."*

No dedicated funding source has been identified. Only early-stage planning funds has been allocated.

FACT: *There is no legal requirement to close the airport.*

FACT: *We don't have to choose.*

WE CAN HAVE A PARK AND KEEP THE AIRPORT

FACT: *No Funding or Funding Analysis*

No full economic impact report has been completed.

FACT: *Closing the airport is irreversible.*

Once closed, it cannot be brought back.

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No requirement to close it.
No clear plan to pay for it.
No way to bring it back.

**Tell City Council on May 12:
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COMMUNITY NEWS

SMC

SMC Music Department Presents Fifth Annual Family Concert May 16

The Santa Monica College Music Department will present its Fifth Annual Family Concert on Saturday, May 16, an event designed to inspire audiences of all ages through engaging performances showcasing the beauty and joy of music.

The free concert will run from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Music Hall at the SMC Performing Arts Center, located at 1310 11th Street. Free parking is available on premises, with seating on a first-arrival basis.

Under the direction of SMC music instructor Megumi Smith, the concert will present a vibrant, family-friendly celebration of music and community. The program features collaborations involving the SMC Music, Art and Dance Departments, Santa Monica High School, Ballet Folklórico de Mayo and Mugen Taiko.

More information is available by calling 310-434-4323. All performances are subject to change or cancellation without notice.

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CONCERT: (left to right) Robert Adams, Bailey Drew, Megumi Smith, and Lilly Aycud prepare for the Santa Monica College Music Department's free Fifth Annual Family Concert on Saturday, May 16.

Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00194. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica 90401. Petition of Gabrielle Renee Benavente for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Gabrielle Renee Benavente filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Gabrielle Renee Benavente to Belle Renee Benavente. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: 05/29/2026, Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS. Date: 04/17/2026. LAWRENCE H. CHO, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 04/28/2026, 05/05/2026, 05/12/2026, 05/19/2026

Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No.26SMCP00205. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of Breunna Alexandria Edwards for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Breunna Alexandria Edwards filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Breunna Alexandria Edwards to Bre Holmes. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: 05/22/2026, Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS. Date: 04/10/2026. LAWRENCE H. CHO, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 04/28/2026, 05/04/2026, 05/11/2026, 05/18/2026

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00207. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of Ali Mahalati for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Ali Mahalati filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Ali Mahalati to Ali Khosrovanis. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: 06/12/2026, Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS. Date: 04/28/2026. LAWRENCE H. CHO, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 05/05/2026, 05/12/2026, 05/19/2026, 05/26/2026

Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00193. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of SARAH RATSIMIHAAH for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner SARAH RATSIMIHAAH filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: SARAH RATSIMIHAAH to SARAH CASTELIAH. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

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DOCUMENTARY

FROM PAGE 1

and “After Auschwitz,” said the access he received was a direct result of Hier’s reputation rather than his own.

“These folks didn’t talk to me because I’m me,” Kean said. “They agreed to interviews out of their respect and affection for Rabbi Hier. At one point, I’m sitting a few feet away from Bill Clinton wondering why is this guy listening and responding to me so intently?”

Kean said Schwarzenegger pranked him repeatedly during filming, that he found Sarandos to be “a real revelation” and that Newsom displayed “some of that Clinton charm.” He also interviewed Mohamed Alabbar, the developer behind Dubai’s Burj Khalifa.

Production began in September 2023, with roughly 20 days of interviews followed by a week of filming at the Museum of Tolerance. Celebrity interviews were conducted between January and September 2024. Kean said the film was completed through seven distinct cuts before being delivered to Paramount in December 2025, on a budget of \$650,000 to \$700,000.

While the documentary leans on Hier’s humor and what Kean described as his “Forrest Gump-like life,” the director said it also confronts difficult subject matter, including the 1992 Los Angeles riots, racial tensions in the city, accounts from Holocaust survivors and the aftermath of the Oct. 7, 2023, Hamas attack on Israel.

Kean said making the film prompted him to reconsider warnings he had heard for years from Holocaust survivors who told him a

genocide could happen again, even in the United States.

“I always played along but felt they were being influenced by their past traumas and not the present realities,” he said. “I think now that I was wrong and they were right. Complacency is real.”

Kean said he had previously focused on antisemitism originating from the far right while overlooking what he described as antisemitism from the far left. He added that being Jewish in the United States has become “inexorably interconnected with current events in Israel and its government’s choices,” a dynamic he called unique among American minority groups.

“There are no easy solutions and no easy ways to teach Holocaust remembrance now,” Kean said, noting that the world is approaching a post-survivor era. He said educators must draw connections between the lessons of the Holocaust and contemporary traumas, and must operate from “a common set of truths.”

Kean cited a recent comment from a local Holocaust survivor — “never again is for all people” — as encapsulating the film’s message and Hier’s lifelong advocacy.

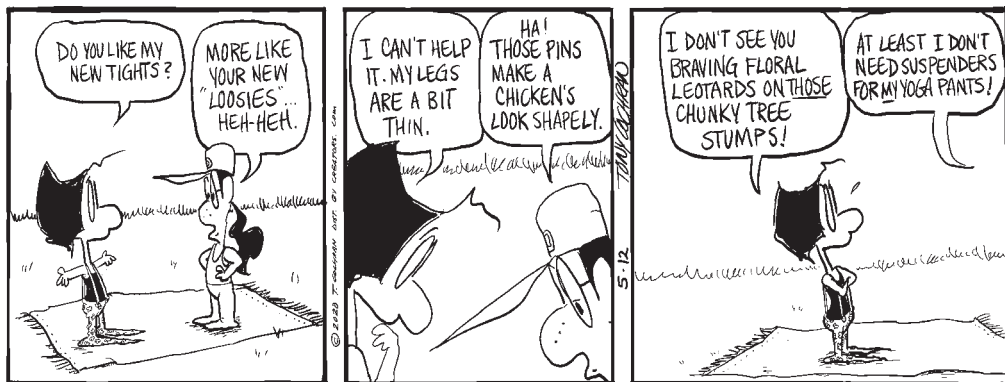
“Tolerance is the only path,” Kean said. “If we want to leave a flourishing world for our future generations, we have got to stop killing each other and talk to each other instead.”

The documentary is produced by Brad Krevoy, Susie Krevoy and Kean. The premiere will include a tribute to Hier featuring introductions by Schwarzenegger, Elon Gold, Tucker and California state Sen. Ben Allen.

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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 17 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 12)

It's your Year of the Grand Scale. It doesn't start there. First, build a smaller version of the goal. If the dream is a stadium, start with a room. If the aim is a company, start with one paying client. You'll repeat what works, scale up and enjoy rich rewards. More highlights: Your charms win hearts from all walks of life. Loyal companionship and fun friends. You'll have passage into exclusive places. Pisces and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 13, 2, 29 and 16.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It pays to plan, but you can only predict so much. Your true gift is sensing where the plan stops helping and jumping into the unplanned, better move. The adventure starts where the plan left off.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You collect small wins across several areas of life and stitch them together to make one lovely blanket of joy. All is cozy with you and yours. All is soft, relaxing, peaceful, snuggly and yours.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's the ideal moment to do inventory of your abundant resources. You have skills, contacts, time pockets, stubbornness, reputation, cash flow, tools and more - everything you need to get where you want to go.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The next moves are not obvious, but any action at all will give you information. Data will give you direction by pointing you to the next thing to try. You're closer than you think. Keep moving. Movement is your teacher.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Super safe and familiar environments are like a bubble. Yes, it's safety, but too much protection robs you of your sharpness. Don't get too comfortable. Challenge yourself. Step out. Take a risk.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's so much energy to read and too much information to hold onto. Organization is more important than ever. You'll be paid back for the time you take to label and prioritize things well.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll be auditioning some new hobbies. You're not just trying them; you're evaluating them for the feeling they give you, assessing the fit. The right pursuit will meet you on several levels and keep giving back.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Even though technically you may be in a position where you can pretty much do what you want, sometimes you feel even freer inside the structure of an assignment, a game or an expectation. You find yourself by bumping into constraints.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll meet a part of yourself you once pushed aside, afraid of its sharpness. Sit with it, hear it out and recruit its power. When acknowledged, it sharpens your instincts and strengthens your direction.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You feel flush, so it's tempting to spend on pleasure, and there's joy in that. There's also a vision of what this money could become. You'll weigh both and choose a path that satisfies today and funds tomorrow.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Obstacles seem way more dramatic than they are. It's new to you, so it's normal not to yet accurately understand the scale of things. Time limits, money gaps, missing skills, gatekeepers, fear of exposure - these are all manageable problems.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A shift in perspective changes how you relate to several people at once. You're not cutting ties or making declarations. You're simply seeing a pattern clearly, and that clarity reshapes your involvement.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 In ___ (well-coordinated)
- 5 Any farm harvest
- 9 Twisted-in metal fastener
- 14 Drill or hammer
- 15 Residence
- 16 Too trusting
- 17 Garage occupant
- 18 Without a warranty
- 19 Playful river mammal
- 20 Red dog from the Emerald Isle
- 23 Before, in poetry
- 24 Say again
- 25 Higher than
- 27 Aloe ___ (natural soother)
- 30 Worn away
- 34 San Antonio landmark
- 38 Where Eve lived
- 40 Hawaiian feast
- 41 Small dog from south of the border
- 44 Get cash for
- 45 Sticky substances
- 46 Any thing of value
- 47 Threat's last words
- 49 Lower-left PC key
- 51 Sneaker or sandal
- 53 Take a stand against
- 58 Bread around a burger
- 61 Large dog from West Asia
- 64 Taken ___ (startled)
- 66 Lavish party
- 67 Fawn's father

- 68 Variety show
- 69 Word-of-mouth
- 70 What kings are called
- 71 Laundry appliance
- 72 Drop in the mail
- 73 Snakelike fishes

DOWN

- 1 Up-or-down walkway
- 2 " ___ welcome!"
- 3 Result of poor bistro service
- 4 Nearby
- 5 Morally pure
- 6 Valentine flower
- 7 Decide not to include
- 8 Green pasta sauce
- 9 Noisy sleeper
- 10 Tiger or tabby

- 11 Any solemn ceremony
- 12 At any time
- 13 " ___ Off to See the Wizard"
- 21 Utter chaos
- 22 "It's so easy, ___ can do it"
- 26 Dice throws
- 28 Nevada city
- 29 Kind of committee
- 31 Membership fees
- 32 Make simpler
- 33 Check for fingerprints
- 34 "Are not!" response
- 35 Impolite look
- 36 Car-wheels connector
- 37 Pepper grinders

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- 39 Toward the dawn
- 42 Thomas Paine's "The ___ Reason"
- 43 Fashion designer Lauren
- 48 Salt dispenser
- 50 President after Jimmy
- 52 Toaster waffles
- 54 Sheriff's search party
- 55 Protruding navel
- 56 Angry dog's growl
- 57 Border lines (Shakespeare)
- 59 Lyft's rideshare rival
- 60 Admiral's employer
- 62 Rabbit's cousin
- 63 Actor Alda
- 65 Pool player's stick

Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

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9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Four Wood Golf Club 828 Pico Blvd, Suite 5 Santa Monica. Join us every Tuesday from 9:30-11:00 AM for a relaxed, social golf experience designed for women of all skill levels. Whether you're picking up a club for the first time or looking to build confidence in your game, Matchas & Mulligans is all about learning, connecting, and having fun in a welcoming, pressure-free environment. Led by our in-house golf pros, you'll learn new skills each session. Blend light instruction with a social atmosphere — the ladies' clinic is perfect for improving your skills while meeting like-minded golfers. \$60 per person per session. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/ladies-golf-clinic/18482158/2026-05-12T09>

TEA TIME WITH TRANSFER

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Transfer Lounge SSC 230 Student Services Center, SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica. Thinking about transfer? Join Tea Time with Transfer for a warm, welcoming space to get personalized guidance, explore resources, and ask questions — no matter where you are in your transfer journey. Let's make it a success, one cup of tea at a time. Food will be provided. (while supplies last) Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/tea-time-with-transfer/18689663/2026-05-12T10>

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

5:30 p.m. Santa Monica City Hall 1685 Main St. Santa Monica. The City Council is made up of seven members elected at-large for staggered four-year terms. Every two years, after each election, the City Council selects one of its members to serve as Mayor and another to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. The City Council also sits as the following bodies for the City of Santa Monica. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/city-council-meeting/13799967/2026-05-12T17>

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7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Laemmle Monica Film Center 1332 2nd Street Santa Monica. LA Premiere of WE MET AT GROSSINGER'S + Q&A with comedian Elon Gold, Melissa Rivers (daughter of the iconic Joan Rivers) & Producers. \$21.05. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/premiere-we-met-at-grossinger-s-with-elon-gold-melissa-rivers-producers/18818764/2026-05-13T19>

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THURSDAY | MAY 14

BREAKFAST WORKSHOP

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Lo/Cal Coffee & Market 2214 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica. We have a new breakfast workshop coming up. Open to all in the LA area and beyond. \$7.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/breakfast-workshop/18818765/2026-05-14T10>

CHAIR FITNESS WITH COACH TODD

11:00 a.m. American Legion Ronald Reagan - Palisades Post 283 15247 La Cruz Drive Pacific Palisades. Chair Fitness with Coach Todd. Register with American Legion. Email jimkirtley@ymcala.org for more information. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/chair-fitness-with-coach-todd/18763133/2026-05-14T11>

LOW IMPACT GROUP EXERCISE CLASS

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. American Legion Ronald Reagan-Palisades Post 283 15247 La Cruz Drive Pacific Palisades. Power up your Thursday with our free, low-impact group exercise classes — open to all members of the Legion Family, designed for every fitness level, and held from 11:00am to 12:00pm at Palisades Post 283. Come move, recharge, and feel great heading into the rest of your day! Sign up here to receive emails about upcoming exercise classes and cancellations: post283.com/exercise.

Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/low-impact-group-exercise-class/18566926/2026-05-14T11>

HENNA TATTOOS WITH MANJUSHREE NORMULWAR

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Palisades Branch Library 861 Alma Real Drive Pacific Palisades. Join us for a talk and demonstration by artist Manjushree Normulwar, who will share a brief history of henna art and culture. Manjushree will offer participants temporary henna tattoos on their hands and arms. She uses organic henna and 100% natural essential oils to create a henna paste that is safe for all skin types and ages. This workshop is recommended for participants aged 11 to 18. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Para ajustes razonables según la ley de ADA, llama al (213) 228-7430 al menos 72 horas antes del evento. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/henna-tattoos-with-manjushree-normulwar/18762896/2026-05-14T15>

STAND UP 101: FIND YOUR VOICE (THURSDAYS)

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 1424 4th Street Santa Monica. In this first level of Stand Up Class, students will work on discovering their own comedic sensibility and shaping that into a clear and unique point of view. While using material from their own lives, as well as observations from the world around them, each student will leave this level with an understanding of the basics of writing and performing stand up. The class culminates in a showcase where each comedian performs the material they created in class. Courses are taught by veteran instructors who are long-time performers. Classes meet at The Westside or at one of our classroom spaces a block away. Class sizes are limited. Enrollment is dependent upon availability. For enrolled students a confirmation welcome email will be sent 48 before the start of the first class. There are no refunds or transfers on tuition. \$345.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/stand-up-101-find-your-voice-thursdays-/18818771/2026-05-14T19>

ANNUAL SMC EMERITUS STUDENT ART EXHIBITION 2026 - PART 1

Emeritus Campus 1227 Second Street Santa Monica. Join us for Part 1 of our popular annual group exhibition of creative works by students in SMC's Emeritus program. The show will be presented in the Emeritus Art Gallery. In-Gallery Reception: May 14, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Additional Details are available at smc.edu/emergitusgallery or by calling 310-434-4306. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/annual-smc-emeritus-student-art-exhibition-2026-part-1/18044893/2026-05-14T00>

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