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A successful year



Courtesy photo

BLANK SPACES: The business marked one year at 929 Colorado Avenue with a ribbon-cutting and happy hour mixer this month. Founded in 2008, the hub keeps encourages members to work for yourself, not by yourself. The celebration event included a ribbon cutting with the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce and a mixer with members in the building.

Santa Monica joins regional housing trust to increase funding for affordable units

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

In a meeting that stretched into the early morning hours, the Santa Monica City Council voted to join a four-city regional affordable housing trust with a unanimous decision at the council's Sept. 8 meeting.

The housing resolution drew written opposition from residents who questioned the council's transparency and warned against ceding local control.

The council adopted a resolution approving the city's membership in the Westside Cities Affordable Housing Trust, a regional Joint Powers Authority formed alongside West Hollywood, Culver City and Beverly Hills to expand affordable housing financing across the Westside.

The trust would provide a dedicated structure to receive, manage and deploy affordable housing funding — chiefly Measure A dollars distributed through the Los Angeles County Affordable

Housing Solutions Agency, known as LACAHS. The four cities do not receive direct county allocations and instead draw funding through the Westside Cities Council of Governments, which cannot issue loans under its current structure.

"The only way there would be any city contribution to this affordable housing trust is if we came back here," Riley O'Brien, program director for the Westside Cities Council of Governments, told the council, adding that each city council would have to approve any such fee.

O'Brien said the council of governments has already committed the capital and administrative funding needed to operate the trust for its first year, meaning no money would be drawn from the city's general fund. He said the trust could officially form once at least three cities join, with a target of Sept. 22 and a first board meeting in late October or early November.

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Hotel union endorses four candidates for three open spots on the City Council

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

The hospitality workers union UNITE HERE Local 11 has endorsed four candidates for Santa Monica City Council ahead of November's election — Mayor

Caroline Torosis, Rent Control Board member Danny Ivanov, Brett Morrow and Doug Trussler — while explicitly opposing two others, Lana Negrete and Phil Brock.

The union's endorsement of Torosis cites her work protecting the jobs of workers on the Santa Monica

Pier when restaurants change ownership. Ivanov earned support for his role enforcing the city's rent control protections as chair of the Rent Control Board. Morrow previously worked on the staff of then-Congressman Keith Ellison, now Minnesota's attorney general,

whom the union described as a labor champion. Trussler's endorsement came despite disagreements with the union on some issues, based on what Local 11 called his pro-union vision of business and labor succeeding together. Torosis, Ivanov and Morrow also carry the

endorsement of Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights (SMRR).

In opposing Negrete and Brock, the union pointed to their support for expanding the Shore Hotel in 2021. The hotel is not unionized

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California sanctions insurer after it cut assisted living coverage to thousands

California regulators ordered Health Net to fix how it's handling the termination of assisted living services for low-income residents after the insurer's abrupt decision left patients and providers scrambling. The state's corrective action plan requires Health Net to extend services for all members until the end of the year, rather than stopping some as soon as October.

Health Net, one of the largest Medicaid insurers in the country, notified providers several months ago that it was ending its assisted living and home care services contracts. The services are optional under Medi-Cal — California's version of Medicaid — meaning an insurer can decide annually whether it will continue coverage. Providers and family members said they got little or no warning, leaving them confused and panicked about finding other arrangements.

In an August letter to Health Net, the Department of Health Care Services cited eight deficiencies in the insurer's handling of the change, including failure to submit transition plans for members, failure to move members to other medically appropriate care, and denying services to members. Regulators wrote that violations "jeopardize member safety, disrupt continuity of care, and endanger medically vulnerable members."

If Health Net does not extend benefits and create individualized transition plans for each affected member, the state may fine them \$25,000 per member per day of violation, the letter states.

Advocates and providers estimate about 3,500 Medi-Cal patients rely on Health Net to pay for assisted living costs. Most are elderly, and many have cognitive issues like dementia. Health Net operates Medi-Cal plans in 10 counties: Amador, Calaveras, Fresno, Inyo, Los Angeles, Mono, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tulare.

In a statement to CalMatters, Health Net spokesperson Beatriz Lopez said the company still plans to end the services next year, but will now cover all members through the end of the year.

"Health Net and DHCS share a commitment to advancing the health and well-being of Medi-Cal members," Lopez said.

Health Net has previously told CalMatters the assisted living benefit "has not led to better care" in terms of fewer emergency room visits or days hospitalized. The benefit is part of CalAIM, a broad state initiative to improve Medi-Cal services and save money by stabilizing high-cost users who frequently end up in emergency rooms. Lopez said Health Net would continue analyzing data and supporting services that result in better health outcomes.

Providers confirmed to CalMatters that their contracts would run through the end of the year.

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THOUSANDS STILL FACE JANUARY DEADLINE

Hagar Dickman, director of long-term services and supports at Justice In Aging, said the state's corrective action plan resolves the immediate crisis but fails to address the long-term problem: "Thousands of older Californians are still set to lose their housing on January 1st."

Allowing health insurers to cancel housing-related benefits creates problems, Dickman said, because most assisted living residents have no other home to return to. Additionally, the Department of Health Care Services has stated that if a member moves to another insurer that still covers assisted living, continuity of care

protections would no longer apply, meaning the new insurer might not approve the member's assisted living costs.

"It's disingenuous to say there are protections and then say the protections don't apply," Dickman said. "So the option is skilled nursing or homelessness."

Pauline Shatara, deputy director of California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform, agreed that state protections are inadequate.

"It doesn't sound like we found a solution to help pay for these people to remain where they are," Shatara said.

Supported by the California Health Care Foundation (CHCF), which works to ensure that people have access to the care they need, when they need it, at a price they can afford. Visit www.chcf.org to learn more.

By Kristen Hwang

Health Net and DHCS share a commitment to advancing the health and well-being of Medi-Cal members

- Beatriz Lopez

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Will Gavin Newsom raise public safety pensions? It may hinge on his presidential hopes

The California Legislature has a bad habit of enacting high-profile measures in the moment, responding to trendy issues or demands from powerful interests, without considering potentially adverse consequences.

Legislators assume that everything they do has only positive effects — otherwise they wouldn't be doing it. But California history is riddled with political decrees that backfired, or at least didn't perform as advertised.

An obvious example is the passage, two decades ago, of legislation asking voters to approve a \$9.95 billion bond issue for a bullet train linking the state's northern and southern halves. Voters were told it would cost around \$40 billion and be operational by 2020.

The cost estimate has ballooned to \$126 billion, and the first 171-mile segment linking Merced with Bakersfield is at least another half-decade away from completion. That segment alone will cost as much as the entire system's initial estimate.

Another candidate for risky consequences is sitting on Gov. Gavin Newsom's desk: a measure to increase pensions for public safety workers that could cost state and local government budgets — which are already leaking red ink — many additional billions of dollars.

Not only does Assembly Bill 1383, passed by overwhelming bipartisan majorities, pose hefty financial risks, but it mirrors a previous pension hike in 1999 that backfired spectacularly.

At the time Gray Davis was politically indebted to public employee unions that had helped him defeat two wealthy, self-financed Democratic rivals when he ran for governor and won in 1998.

He retired that debt by sponsoring a roughly 50% increase in public worker pension benefits and a sharp increase in workers compensation benefits. The Legislature passed both on assurances the cost would not hit taxpayers because the California Public Employees Retirement System was experiencing hefty investment returns and the workers compensation fund had strong reserves.

However, both assumptions crumbled a few years later when the state was clobbered by recessions during the first decade of the 21st century.

When Jerry Brown began his second stint as governor in 2011, the pension fund and the worker compensation system were financial basket cases, and he did what was necessary to reform them. His pension overhaul eliminated "pension spiking" schemes that unfairly padded the pensions of some retirees, and he established a two-tier system, known as PEPR, that maintained benefits for current employees and retirees but reduced them for future hires.

A two-tier system had been enacted during the governorship of Davis' predecessor, Republican Pete Wilson, but Davis repealed it. Brown brought it back.

But AB 1383, if enacted, would once again undermine it. The bill would directly affect pension benefits for police, firefighters and other public safety workers and could cost more than \$8 billion, according to analyses by legislative staff and the Department of Finance.

The campaign to undo Brown's pension reform begins with public safety workers because they are popular with voters. However, if AB 1383 is enacted, other public employee unions will likely demand parity, so the ultimate cost is impossible to calculate.

In theory, the affected workers would pay half the added cost, but that's true only if the pension trust fund achieves its investment earnings goal. If it doesn't, taxpayers would be on the hook for the added cost.

Will Newsom sign it?

His own Department of Finance opposes the measure, "because it partially unwinds the reform objectives, structural safeguards, and fiscal cost containment guardrails established by PEPR. The bill will significantly increase state and local government contributions towards the safety plans, and create a potential equity issue between safety members and non-safety members."

However, Newsom is almost certain to run for president, and vetoing the safety unions' high priority bill could backfire as he campaigns in presidential primaries.

It's not a coincidence that the unions made their move during Newsom's final year as governor.

By Dan Walters



Surf report WATER TEMP: 72.1

FRIDAY
FAIR

SURF: 3-4ft
Waist to chest

Surf up a notch with some more swell showing. Winds staying on the lighter side, AM cleanest. Fair size SW Southern Hemi tops out, bit more NW windswell scheduled to join in, setting up more waist-chest-shoulder high waves, as top breaks west of Pt. Dume go head high. Mid morning high tide has surf on the sluggish side. Light/variable winds much of the morning, shift light+ S for the afternoon.

SATURDAY
FAIR

SURF: 2-3ft+
Thigh to stomach

Size comes down a little, still looks peaky with more SE wind problems. SSW Southern Hemi swell tapers down as NW windswell hangs in there, keeping knee-waist surf easy to find as better breaks are in the chest-high range. AM SE/ESE wind in the cards for crumbly conditions at the points - afternoon window looks more organized if you want to surf those spots. Beakbreaks west of Dume look like a fun option in the morning, they'll get there onshore lump in the afternoon.



Friday: Mostly cloudy, then gradually becoming sunny, with a high near 79. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming.

Friday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 68. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 77. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 66.

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2026/09/11	Fri	10:11 PM	5.68 H
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2026/09/12	Sat	10:37 AM	5.67 H
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2026/09/12	Sat	10:53 PM	5.10 H
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Name Change

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Pier

‘Afterglow’ Portrait Exhibition Captures America Through Santa Monica Pier Visitors

Courtesy of Sam Comen

AFTERGLOW: Portraits by Sam Comen offers a glimpse of America through the people visiting Santa Monica Pier.

A new photography exhibition featuring people photographed during three summer days at the Santa Monica Pier opens inside the historic Merry Go-Round building this month.

“Afterglow: Portraits by Sam Comen” will open with a special reception from 3:30 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, during the Santa Monica Pier’s Locals’ Night. The free exhibition runs Sept. 10 through 30.

In July, photographer Sam Comen transformed a corner of the pier into a simple outdoor portrait studio and, over three days, conducted brief sittings with 274 people. Working in California’s summertime light, Comen captured a cross-section of the people who found their way to the pier — locals, travelers and international visitors representing different ages, backgrounds and moments in life.

Alongside the portrait sessions, Comen invited participants into brief conversations about what brought them to the pier and how they see America at this moment. Together, the photographs and conversations offer a glimpse of America in its 250th year through the people who met at the edge of the continent as three summer days turned toward evening.

The location is an integral part of the exhibition’s story. The Santa Monica Pier sits where Los Angeles meets the Pacific Ocean and marks the western end of historic Route 66.

“The Santa Monica Pier has always been a place where people from across Los Angeles and around the world come together,” said Jim Harris, executive director and historian of the Santa Monica Pier Corporation. “Afterglow captures that beautifully. These portraits remind us that the Santa Monica Pier isn’t defined only by its history and landmarks, but by the millions of people who bring their own stories, experiences and perspectives here.”

Comen specializes in photographing human stories connected to American political and social issues. Over his 20-year career, he has collaborated with civic institutions, labor unions, foundations and community organizations. His photographs are held in the collections of the Library of Congress, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and the City of Santa Monica Cultural Affairs’ Art Bank, and his work has twice been exhibited at the Smithsonian’s National Portrait Gallery. More of his work can be seen at samcomen.com.

“I chose the Santa Monica Pier because it’s a place where so many different people and journeys come together,” Comen said. “Taken together, these portraits reveal an America that is incredibly diverse, deeply personal and always changing.”

The exhibition, presented inside the Merry Go-Round building at 200 Santa Monica Pier, is a collaboration with the Santa Monica Pier Corporation and was made possible by Art of Recovery, an initiative of the City of Santa Monica Cultural Affairs.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday.

The Santa Monica Pier has always been a place where people from across Los Angeles and around the world come together

- Jim Harris, executive director and historian of the Santa Monica Pier Corporation

Melanie Ann Martin

September 13, 1975 — August 18, 2026



Melanie Ann Martin, a Santa Monica resident for more than twenty years, died at her home on August 18. She was 50 years old.

Melanie came west to California as a young woman and later lived for a time in Jackson, Wyoming, where she adored the glorious summers but emphatically did not share the same affection for its long, glacial winters. Melanie hated the cold, and eventually found in Santa Monica the place she wanted to call home.

She loved its climate, its people, its extraordinary setting beside the Pacific, and the particular mixture of beauty and informality that made Santa Monica unlike anywhere else she had lived.

She made her home only two blocks from Palisades Park and walked there often to watch the sun set over the ocean. She especially loved that fleeting moment when the descending sun finally touched the horizon. After more than two decades, the park, the ocean and the streets around her home were not simply scenery to Melanie. They were part of the fabric of her daily life.

And because Melanie loved Santa Monica, she cared deeply about what happened to it.

She was an unusually intelligent and perceptive woman who noticed things others sometimes overlooked and was rarely reluctant to say what she thought. When she saw deterioration in the city she loved, she objected — strongly and vocally. She worried about public safety and about the decline of public spaces, particularly the parks she used and treasured. The visible suffering of homeless men and women disturbed her deeply. She regarded allowing people to live in misery on the streets not as compassion, but as a particularly cruel form of neglect.

Her opinions could be forceful because her attachment to Santa Monica was genuine. She wanted the city she had chosen as her

home to remain beautiful, safe and humane, both for those fortunate enough to live there and for those who were struggling.

There was another, gentler side of Melanie that those closest to her knew particularly well. She adored animals and seemed to have an almost instinctive connection with them. Neighborhood squirrels invariably became her friends; she fed them, cared for them and occasionally even welcomed them into her home for treats. It was wonderfully characteristic of Melanie — compassionate, curious, unconventional and entirely herself.

Melanie was a graduate of Rutgers University, an achievement of which she remained enormously proud. Her diploma was framed and displayed prominently wherever she lived, a quiet but unmistakable reminder of something she had worked for and valued.

She was also an enthusiastic traveler. Melanie kept a world map marked with pins recording journeys that took her to more than thirty states and also farther afield to the Bahamas, Bora Bora, Tahiti, Australia and France. Italy was to have been next. The map was both a record of where she had been and a reminder of how much of the world remained to be seen.

Above all, Melanie loved her family.

She is survived by her father, James Martin; her sisters, Michele and Melissa; and her nieces and nephews, Jade, Kira, Ayla, Jameson, Cash and Orië. Her nieces and nephews occupied an especially precious place in her heart. She delighted in sending them unexpected gifts-not because it was a birthday or holiday, but simply to let them know that she was thinking of them.

Melanie Martin was one of the thousands of people who make a city something more than a collection of buildings and streets: a longtime resident who chose Santa Monica, loved it, participated in its life, worried about its future and considered it home.



A memorial service will be held at Saint Monica's Catholic Church on September 12 at 3:00 p.m., with a reception following.



COUNCIL

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The item returned to the council after members raised concerns at a July 28 meeting. Staff said the joint powers agreement was revised to make clear no city contribution would occur without each council's approval, and to reduce the number of board seats to the minimum required by state law. Under the revised structure, the board would consist of one elected official and one alternate appointed by each member city, plus one housing and homelessness policy expert appointed by the trust board, all with voting authority.

Councilmember Dan Hall, who had previously voiced concerns, said they had been satisfied and moved to approve the staff recommendation. He sought to reassure colleagues that Santa Monica funds would remain walled off from projects elsewhere.

"There is no situation where Measure GS

or any general fund dollars from Santa Monica goes to programmatic or affordable housing production in other cities without the explicit blessing of this council," Hall said.

Mayor Pro Tem Jesse Zwick recused himself from the item, citing his employment as Southern California director of the Housing Action Coalition, a pro-housing advocacy group. The council appointed Councilmember Natalya Zernitskaya as the city's director on the trust board and Hall as the alternate.

The resolution passed 6-0. Several residents had urged rejection in written comments, arguing the agreement would hand financing and land-use decisions to an unelected board and pointing to transparency and conflict-of-interest concerns. Staff and council members countered that membership does not obligate the city to approve any development, contribute local funds or waive land-use authority.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Pacific Palisades

Palisades Community Renewal Center Marks One Year of Healing and Recovery

The Palisades Community Renewal Center will celebrate its first anniversary with a free community open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at 3212 Nebraska Ave.

The center, known as PCRC, has spent the past year supporting the emotional recovery of individuals and families affected by the Palisades fires. Since opening, it has provided free therapy, creative arts programming, wellness activities, support groups and community gatherings, reaching more than 1,500 community members.

While the first year after a disaster often brings an outpouring of support, emotional recovery is a long-term process. "The impact of a wildfire can continue to unfold long after the immediate crisis has passed," said Dr. Kim Low, clinical director of Maple Counseling at PCRC. "As people move into the next stages of rebuilding, they may process grief, loss, anxiety and trauma in new ways. Continued mental health support and community connection can be a vital part of that healing."

"This anniversary is about more than marking a year," said Juliet Curry, director of the center. "It's an opportunity to celebrate our community's resilience and thank the incredible partners and community members who have made this work possible. Healing happens in community, and we are honored to walk alongside our neighbors as they continue in their recovery journey."

The celebration will let attendees meet the Maple Counseling team and learn about available mental health resources. It will feature hands-on art activities for all ages with P.S. ARTS, a Labyrinth Lab with artist Marni Gittleman, and live music including a performance by singer-songwriter Sydney Yates and musical guests from Theater Palisades Youth.

Food and drinks will be available from local Palisades businesses, including Caffè Luxxe, Sunset Smash Burgers, Espresso Express and Palisades Garden Cafe. Other activities include a community book giveaway with Reading Among Ruins, an exhibit called "The Animals Rise from the Ashes" by artist Kate Samuels, and a five-minute Reiki reset with Lynn Cooper.

The event is free and open to the public.

The center is a program of the Picerne Family Foundation, dedicated to supporting the emotional recovery and long-term resilience of individuals and families affected by the Palisades fires.

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PCRC: Palisades Community Renewal Center marks one year of free fire-recovery support with an open house Sept. 19.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026178913. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: DR. MELISSA'S, 721 N ROXBURY DR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): INTEGRIMD LLC, 1118 E 223RD ST, CARSON, CA 90745. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2026. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ MELISSA DANESH, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/19/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 08/30/2026, 09/06/2026, 09/13/2026, 09/20/2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2026185556. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CMW CONSULTING, 734 PIER AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): CARLISLE WEITZ, 734 PIER AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. This business is conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2026. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ CARLISLE WEITZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/28/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 09/11/2026, 09/18/2026, 09/25/2026, 10/02/2026

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00380. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main St, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of Scarlett Hale Berman for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Scarlett Hale Berman filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Scarlett Hale Berman to Scarlett Hale Kellner. 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: [10/2/26 Time: [8:30am], Dept: [K]. The address of the court is the 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: [8/11/26] Lawrence Cho, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 08/28/2026, 09/04/2026, 09/11/2026, 09/18/2026

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00430. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Santa Monica Courthouse, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of Margaux Primat for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Margaux Primat filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Margaux Primat to Margaux Prim. 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: 10/23/2026, 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: 09/01/2026. LAWRENCE H. CHO, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 09/11/2026, 09/18/2026, 09/25/2026, 10/02/2026

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700et. seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction, on September 22, 2026 personal property including but not limited to business equipment, electronics, furniture, clothing, tools and/or other miscellaneous items located at:A-AMERICAN SELF STORAGE Via storagetreasures.com @ 2:00 pm, at 2300 Federal Ave Los Angeles CA 90064 (310) 478-2211STORED BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:Sarah HeinBrian WitkowskiMitchell JacksonElizabeth KimSara LevyYaroslav ChapaevJamila HolmesBrittany LawsonBrittany LawsonHelen LyAll sales are subject to prior cancellation. Terms, rules and regulations available at sale. By A-American Management Co. Inc. (310) 914-4022, Bond. #72BSBBU5400

CANDIDATES

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and has been the site of numerous protests by Unite Here regarding the unionization of the property. The union's endorsement did not mention the union status of the hotel but instead criticized the hotel's history as being constructed without appropriate permits and the criminal behavior of Steve Farzam whose family owns the hotel and who used to work there as COO.

UNITE HERE Local 11 represents more than 32,000 workers in hotels, restaurants, airports, sports arenas and convention centers across Southern California and Arizona.

The union's endorsement of four individuals with only three open seats is part of a broadly chaotic endorsement process that has seen multiple individuals and groups of candidates endorsed by various organizations.

The Santa Monica Police Officers Association and the Santa Monica Firefighters, IAFF Local 1109, jointly endorsed Councilmember Lana Negrete, calling it an "initial pick." Both unions said additional endorsements would follow in coming weeks.

Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights members endorsed Torosis and Ivanov and failed to select a third. However, SMRR's steering committee added Morrow to the group's campaign materials.

Torosis has also picked up backing from the pro-housing group Santa Monica Forward, which endorsed her along with Eli Gill and Morrow, and from the Community for Excellent Public Schools, which split its

endorsement between Torosis and Negrete without backing a candidate for the third, open seat.

Voters here will decide four contested local board races in the Nov. 3 general election. Twelve candidates qualified for three open City Council seats. Five candidates are vying for three seats on the Rent Control Board. Five candidates filed for four seats on the Santa Monica College Board of Trustees. Five candidates are running for four seats on the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education.

Voters also will weigh five city measures, all requiring a simple majority: Measure ES, the "Excellent Santa Monica Public Schools Parcel Tax," a \$495-per-parcel tax generating an estimated \$12 million annually for schools; rent-control charter amendments Measures GG, RR and VV, addressing eviction protections; and Measure TT, which imposes the city's hotel tax on corporate lodging bookings longer than 30 days.

The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk will begin mailing vote-by-mail ballots to all registered voters no later than Oct. 5, when drop boxes also open. Vote centers open Oct. 24.

The last day to register to receive a mailed ballot is Oct. 19; voters may register and vote conditionally afterward through Election Day. Polls close at 8 p.m. Nov. 3. The county must certify results by Dec. 3.

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Bids will only be accepted through the CITY’S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL, OpenGov or <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca>. They must be received by the specified date and time. Late bids will not be accepted. Please allow sufficient time for uploading of documents. The bid opening will be electronic, all submitted bids will be viewable by the public via OpenGov immediately after bid close time.

MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK: Attendance at one of the two job walks is mandatory

Job Walk 1: September 16, 2026 at 1:00 PM
Job Walk 2: September 17, 2026 at 1:00 PM

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PROJECT ESTIMATE: \$27,344,000
CONTRACT DAYS: 730 Calendar Days
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: \$13,200 Per Calendar Day

Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City’s bidding website at: <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca>. The Contractor is required to have a Class A General Engineering license at the time of bid submission. Contractors wishing to be considered must submit Bids containing all information required pursuant to the City’s Request for Bids.

Pursuant to Public Contracts Code Section 22300, the Contractor shall be permitted to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under this Contract.

Agnes

By TONY COCHRAN



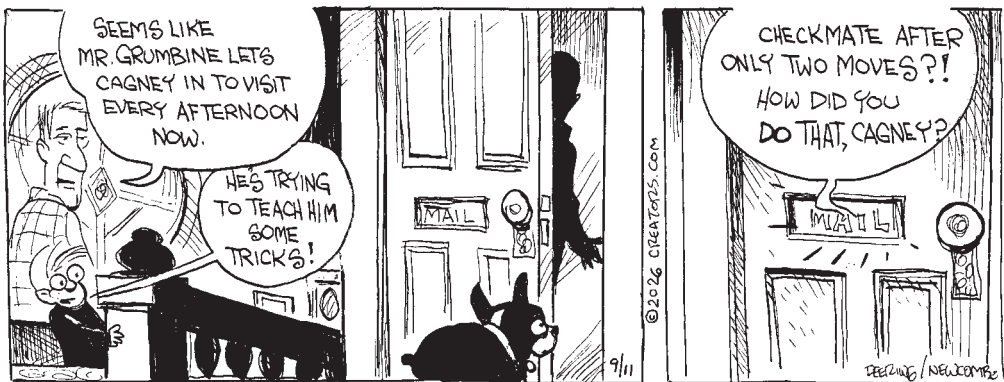
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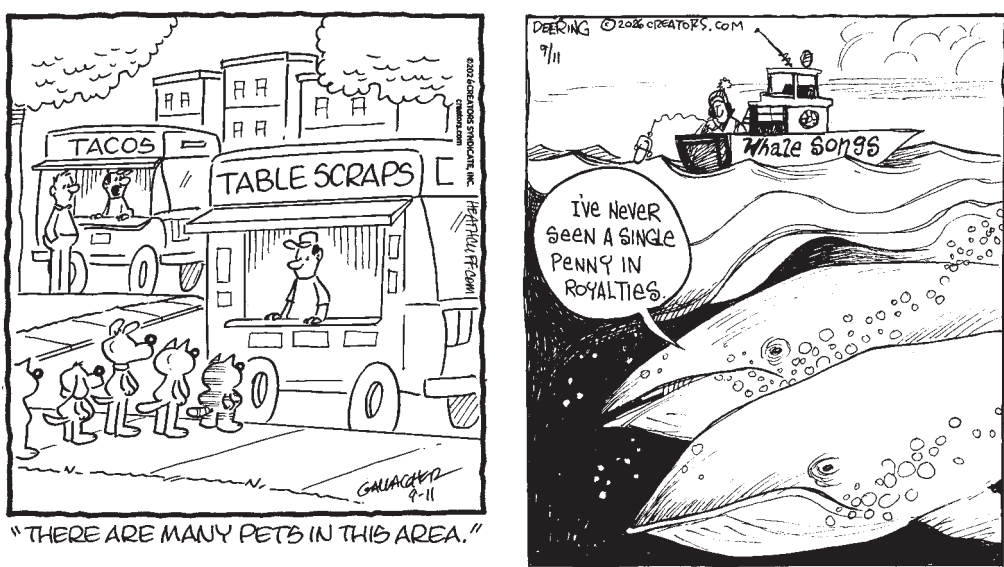


Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



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 19 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Akubra	Curl	Liner	Top hat
Ascot	Felt	Lock	Toque
Bill	Fezzes	Mitre	Toyo
Boater	Flat	Newsboy	Turban
Brim	Flower	Peci	Veil
Bucket	Golf	Pork pie	Visor
Busby	Hairpin	Raffia	Wig
Caps	Helmet	Ribbon	Wool
Chapeau	Hood	Safari	Wreath
Chunni	Kepi	Shawl	
Comb	Knotted	Silk	
Crown	hankie	Ten gallon	

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S WORDS PUZZLE.
You just can't bring me down

TODAY’S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 11)

ARIES (March 21-April 19). When you trust that all things are connected, you will find that every path eventually leads to the desired destination. And yet... if there’s a map - and there is - it’s more efficient to get it and use it to figure out the most direct route.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It’s easier to love who you are when you’re not constantly bombarded by other options. Options are only useful at the intersections of life. You don’t need them when you’re content on the correct road. Prevent distractions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Today points out once again your supertalent for versatility. You’ll blend when you need to, stand out when it’s advantageous and make your group proud the whole way. Your value to them is undeniable.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It falls on you to make a sale by closing a deal in the traditional sense, selling yourself as an option for a role, or selling an idea. Whatever the goal, your influence will work best when it’s practically undetectable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Just when you think you know how you’ll feel when certain events come to pass, you discover that your emotions will not be predicted or controlled. But they will submit to being sorted, tolerated, managed and above all, felt.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). As for the thing you weren’t able to accomplish back there, it just wasn’t time yet. Keep at it in whatever small way is currently possible, and more will be possible in the future. The key is simply knowing that this isn’t over.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You’ll be reminded how much easier it is to give good advice than to live by it. You know what the right thing for you is; the trick is getting your whole self to agree, because you do contain multitudes. Following your own wisdom will be so satisfying today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The world measures success by various metrics. You find yourself valuing contribution more than recognition. It feels good to know your time and energy have made someone else’s path a little smoother.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You got this long ago, but some around you are still learning: To accept that there are things in life you can’t change is to accept adulthood. You’ll watch immature notions of power give way to reality.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Favors get passed around, and not always fairly. They may not go to the ones who worked hardest, but rather to the ones who have pleased the boss. “Whoever obeys the gods, to him they particularly listen.” - Homer

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There’s a time for transformation, and that time is when the cycle you’re in comes to a close. To transform all the time is a waste of the great amount of energy, and the considerable risk that transformation demands.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Do you wish you could sidle up to the person in your dream role, just to get a feel for what that experience is really like? Today you’ll realize that you can have a version of that, if you actively seek it out.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY’S CROSSWORD

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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.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY’S SUDOKU

7	5	6	3	2	4	1	8	9
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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Impudent
- 6 Aspirin originator
- 11 Aurora, to Socrates
- 14 Greenish songbird
- 15 Frat letter
- 16 Frat letter
- 17 GOING, ____
- 20 Gauge suffix
- 21 Facilitates
- 22 Scout’s work
- 23 Some ring bearers
- 25 Driver’s club
- 26 ...See 17-Across...
- 34 Consequently
- 35 Flood blocker
- 36 Present topper
- 37 Great fluency
- 38 ...See 26-Across...
- 40 Cannes concluded
- 41 NHL Atlantic Division team
- 42 Unable to choose
- 43 Radiates, as charm
- 44 ...See 38-Across...
- 48 Alias intro
- 49 Steam engine developer
- 50 Hardly any
- 53 Potential roast
- 55 “Pocket” stuff
- 59 ...See 44-Across, (to) WASTE
- 62 Exalted, in Islam
- 63 *Born on the Fourth of July* guy
- 64 Animated fish-girl
- 65 It’s often steeped
- 66 Hiding place

67 TV news time

DOWN

- 1 Some shirts, for short
- 2 Explosion, as of color
- 3 Score’s big number
- 4 Bit of a speech
- 5 Don’t share
- 6 Peter Pan-like
- 7 In the heart of
- 8 What Japanese money isn’t
- 9 Custard component
- 10 Mad-dash metaphor
- 11 Grandiose
- 12 Emphatic denial
- 13 Omen
- 18 Feathered flier
- 19 Emphatic approval
- 24 Store to improve
- 25 Puts it to
- 26 SoCal teen drama
- 27 Shrubby tract
- 28 Pic site, familiarly
- 29 Elsa’s voice in *Frozen*
- 30 Quick drink
- 31 Island near Majorca
- 32 Ninesome
- 33 Ham partner
- 38 Half a canned brand
- 39 Designation for William or Catherine
- 40 Podiatric treatment
- 42 Expresses disapproval
- 43 Italian American Heritage Mo.
- 45 Be winded
- 46 Nasal movement
- 47 *Avec* opposite
- 50 Evacuation order
- 51 King of rhyme
- 52 Where oranges were first eaten
- 53 Hot flower
- 54 Medical suffix
- 56 Part of a pronunciation explanation
- 57 Exercise accessory
- 58 Wheel on water
- 60 British kid’s crib
- 61 Habitual birdwatcher

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MORE OF STAN'S CROSSWORDS! Play FREE from Stan's archives of Easy, Hard and Sunday puzzles at: tinyurl.com/stan-newman-crosswords



FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 11

PALISADIAN COFFEE AND CHAT

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Palisades Garden Cafe 15231 La Cruz Dr Pacific Palisades. An informal hello run by Palisadian resident Rebecca Martin. No Agenda, no powerpoint, just a chance to say hello for those who have moved back to the Palisades, or are working on it. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/palisadian-coffee-and-chat/19242128/2026-09-11T09>

BUNDY TRIANGLE NIGHT MARKET

5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Bundy Triangle 1500 S Bundy Drive Los Angeles. Cayton Children's Museum will offer free, weekly hands-on activities for children and families at the Bundy Triangle Night Market in Sawtelle every Friday from March 27 through the end of October, the museum announced. The programming, offered in partnership with Los Angeles City Councilwoman Traci Park, will run from 5 to 8 p.m. each Friday at the Bundy Triangle, a public space at Ohio Avenue and Bundy Drive. The broader night market, presented by Raw Inspiration, runs from 5 to 9 p.m. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/bundy-triangle-night-market/18490079/2026-09-11T17>

SUNSET SESSIONS

5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. The Penmar 1233 Rose Avenue Los Angeles. Music and good vibes as the Sun sets. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/sunset-sessions/18537173/2026-09-11T17>

THE NIGHT SKY SHOW THE NIGHT SKY SHOW

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica. The Night Sky Show - Using SMC's 4K Digistar projection system, Planetarium Lecturer Sarah Vincent will talk about the latest news in astronomy and space exploration, and present a virtual tour of constellations and other night-sky celebrities making their appearance in the evenings ahead. The Night Sky Show is followed by the Feature Program. General Admission: \$10. Children (3-12): \$7. Show Combo (Include the Feature Program at 7 p.m.): \$16 adults, \$10 children (3-12) (A \$1 per ticket service fee will be charged by the ticketing company.) There will be a short intermission prior the start of the Feature Program. No children under age 3 at Friday evening shows. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/the-night-sky-show/19794094/2026-09-11T18>

WE SAY SHALOM: LOS ANGELES TOUR STOP

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. 2058 Broadway Santa Monica. The LA Tour Stop—a night of live music, comedy, creativity & conversation. Exploring how our differences aren't dangerous—they're divine. \$30.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/we-say-shalom-los-angeles-tour-stop/19686187/2026-09-11T19>

HIGH HOLIDAYS ROSH HASHANAH & YOM KIPPUR

8:00 p.m. - 7:46 p.m. Shul on the Beach 505 Ocean Front Walk Venice. Join Shul on the Beach for the High Holidays and experience meaningful services, inspiring prayer, and a warm, welcoming community as we celebrate Rosh Hashanah and observe Yom Kippur. Reserve your seats for High Holiday Services and RSVP for Rosh Hashanah Dinner today! \$150.00 to \$250.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/high-holidays-rosh-hashanah-yom-kippur/19760156/2026-09-11T20>

SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 12

WELLNESS & WAVES RETURNS TO SANTA MONICA PIER, FREE SAT. MORNING FITNESS

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Santa Monica Pier 200 Santa Monica Pier, Ste A Santa Monica. The Santa Monica Pier Corporation invites the community to move, stretch, and recharge by the ocean as Wellness & Waves returns for its 2026 season. Taking place every Saturday from April 4 through October 17, 2026, from 8 to 10 a.m., this free, all-ages wellness series transforms the iconic Santa Monica Pier into an open-air fitness destination at the most iconic outdoor setting in Southern California. With the Pacific Ocean as its backdrop, Wellness & Waves offers a welcoming, energizing way to start the weekend—no membership required. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/wellness-waves-returns-to-santa-monica-pier-free-sat-morning-fitness/18475500/2026-09-12T08>

SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 13

VENICE ELECTRIC LIGHT PARADE - SUNDAYS AT SUNSET

5:05 p.m. Windward Plaza 1501 Ocean Front Walk Venice. Venice Electric Light Parade - Sundays at Sunset. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/venice-electric-light-parade-sundays-at-sunset/14970341/2026-09-13T17>

MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 14

CULTURE CREATES COMMERCE HOW EXPERIENCES BUILD GREAT CITIES

8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 1212 Santa Monica, Santa Monica, CA. Featured Speakers: Nic Adler. Festivals, Goldenvoice Misti Kerns. President and CEO, Santa Monica Travel and Tourism Debbie Lee. CEO, Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. Jeeyan Rostam-Abadi. EVP Growth, Hawke Media. We'll explore: • What Santa Monica learned from hosting World Cup activations. • How the Ocean Way Festival on September 26 and 27 will shape the city's cultural future. • Opportunities for local businesses, developers, hospitality leaders, and community organizations. • Lessons learned as we prepare for LA28 and a decade of global events. Whether you work in business, government, tourism, hospitality, real estate, construction, culture, or community

leadership, this conversation is designed to connect the people building Santa Monica's next chapter.

COMMUNAL GARDENING @ ISHIHARA PARK

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Ishihara Park 2909 Exposition Blvd Santa Monica. Communal Garden Program Work Days @ Ishihara Park Learning Garden - Mondays and Wednesdays | 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | Free Come get your hands dirty in the Communal Garden Program at Ishihara Park Learning Garden, a communal spot to learn and acquire gardening skills. Seasoned as well as new gardeners of all ages are welcome. Free drop in activity, no reservation needed. Visit the Ishihara Park Learning Garden site for More Information. Subject to cancellation due to weather. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/communal-gardening-ishihara-park/18461167/2026-09-14T09>

PIZZA PARTY AT BODEGA WINE BAR

6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 814 Broadway Santa Monica. Every Monday Night at Bodega, every bottle of wine you purchase gets you a pizza half off! 6pm-Close. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/pizza-party-at-bodega-wine-bar/11526040/2026-09-14T18>

THE GORDONS IMPROV RESIDENCY

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Westside Comedy Theater 1323-A 3rd St Santa Monica. Welcome to The Gordons Improv Show at Westside Comedy Theater! IMPROV RESIDENT TEAM NIGHT! Check out our current lineup of Resident Improv Teams! These teams perform Long-Form Improv all inspired by a suggestion from the audience. Think of it as a sitcom made up on the spot. Catch them before they are gone! These teams rotate every three months! Get ready for a night filled with laughter, spontaneity, and hilarious moments. Join us for an evening of unscripted comedy where every joke is made up on the spot. Our talented improv performers will have you in stitches as they create scenes, characters, and stories based on your suggestions. Don't miss out on this one-of-a-kind experience! Grab your friends and come on down to Westside Comedy Theater for a night you won't forget. \$10.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/the-gordons-improv-residency/14863274/2026-09-14T19>

LATE NIGHT HAPPY HOUR AT MARELLE - NIGHT CAP MENU

9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Marelle at Sandbourne Santa Monica 1740 Ocean Ave Santa Monica. Marelle will be launching a late-night happy hour menu called 'Night Cap' starting Monday, April 6th. Guests can order from this menu exclusively at Marelle, bar and bar lounge only. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/late-night-happy-hour-at-marelle-night-cap-menu/18409321/2026-08-03T21>

TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 15

LADIES GOLF CLINIC

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Four Wood Golf 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 of light instruction with a social atmosphere — the ladies' clinic is perfect for improving your skills while meeting like-minded golfers. \$60.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/ladies-golf-clinic/19572527/2026-09-15T09>

DOLPH LUNDGREN BOOK SIGNING AT VENICE'S GOLD'S GYM

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Gold's Gym Venice 360 Hampton Drive Los Angeles. Meet Dolph Lundgren in person and get your book signed at Venice's iconic Gold's Gym! \$33.84. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/dolph-lundgren-book-signing-at-venice-s-gold-s-gym/19545953/2026-09-15T11>

ELEMENTARY ART STUDIO 3:30-4:20PM

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Palisades Community Renewal Center 3212 Nebraska Ave Santa Monica. Open to all skill levels, sparking creativity through drawing, color work, collage, and mixed-media techniques. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/elementary-art-studio-3-30-4-20pm/18825639/2026-09-15T15>

ANNUAL PENNTERENTAINMENT ARTIST SALON FEAT. USC TEN AND YIH

6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Sorry, Not Sorry | Restaurant 11520 West Pico Boulevard Los Angeles. Calling all writers and performers for our annual intake event for our independent Ivy League+ writers and actors groups! \$12.51 to \$23.18. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/annual-penntertainment-artist-salon-feat-usc-ten-and-yih/19686196/2026-09-15T18>

WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 16

VIOLA FLORAL BLOOM BAR

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Third Street Promenade (between Arizona and Santa Monica Blvd). In partnership with Downtown Santa Monica, Viola Floral is hosting the Bloom Bar, an immersive workshop on the Third Street Promenade during the Santa Monica Farmers Market. Viola Floral will show participants how to create a gorgeous, seasonal hand-tied bouquet they can take home! Tickets are \$75 per person. All levels welcome Please note: Tickets are transferable. Plan to arrive 10-15 minutes early. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/viola-floral-bloom-bar/19781347/2026-09-16T09>

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