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Police arrest driver after drug paraphernalia investigation leads to gun, narcotics discovery

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Santa Monica police arrested a man on Wednesday night, Sept. 17, after officers observed him handling suspected drug paraphernalia in a parked vehicle, leading to the discovery of a loaded handgun and multiple narcotics.

Officers patrolling the 00 block of Bay Street at approximately 9:40 p.m. Sept. 17 noticed a parked vehicle with its driver's door open and the driver manipulating what appeared to be drug paraphernalia, according to the Santa Monica Police Department.

When officers approached and attempted to detain the driver, he became uncooperative and repeatedly reached toward the center console area of the vehicle, police said. A brief struggle occurred before the suspect fled on foot.

Officers quickly apprehended the man a short distance from the vehicle.

During a subsequent search, police discovered a loaded handgun positioned within the driver's reach between the driver's seat and the center console. Officers also recovered what they described as significant quantities of cocaine, psilocybin mushrooms and marijuana.

The suspect remained in police custody as of the department's latest update. Police have not released the suspect's identity or specific charges.

The incident occurred in the downtown Santa Monica area near the beach. No injuries were reported during the arrest or struggle.

Edited by SMDP Staff

Donald Douglas Day at SMO







Courtesy photo

EVENT: The Spirit of Santa Monica hosted Douglas Day 2025 on September 21 at Santa Monica Airport, honoring LA wildfire first responders and celebrating aviation innovation. Mayor Lana Negrete presented commendations to Cal Fire, Santa Monica Fire Department, and other agencies for their January 2025 wildfire response efforts. The free community event featured aircraft displays, STEAM activities, recruitment booths, live music, and food trucks. Fire Chief Matthew Hallock praised the collaborative response efforts. The event celebrated Santa Monica's aviation legacy while recognizing heroic first responders who protected the community during the devastating wildfires.

California schools launch immigration protection efforts

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California schools are rolling out new protections for immigrant families following disturbing incidents this spring in which federal immigration agents set off flashbang grenades within earshot of schoolyards, urinated on playgrounds and attempted to contact young children without warrants or parental permission.

State Superintendent Tony Thurmond announced the implementation of a new online toolkit for schools on Saturday, September 20, 2025, coinciding with Governor Newsom's signing of two bills designed to keep immigration enforcement off school campuses and ensure proper family notification when agents are present.

"The reckless actions of the Trump administration have sown fear and trauma throughout California school communities," said Thurmond, who co-sponsored the legislation. "As the son and grandson of immigrants, I am proud to stand with our immigrant communities to ensure school campuses are safe and accessible to all families."

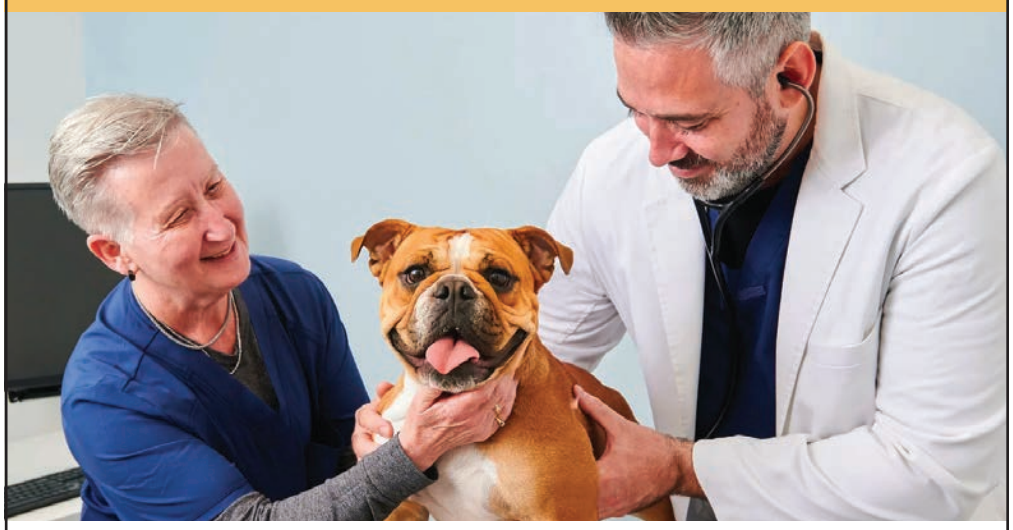
The incidents since spring 2025 have also included immigration agents using school drop-off times as opportunities to detain parents, creating widespread anxiety in communities where immigrant families are prevalent.

Assembly Bill 49 now prohibits school employees from allowing immigration authorities to enter non-public areas of school sites without a valid judicial warrant, subpoena or court order. Senate Bill 98 requires schools to immediately communicate to

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YouTube to start bringing back creators banned for COVID-19 and election misinformation

YouTube will offer creators a way to rejoin the streaming platform if they were banned for violating COVID-19 and election misinformation policies that are no longer in effect, its parent company Alphabet said Tuesday.

In a letter submitted in response to subpoenas from the House Judiciary Committee, attorneys for Alphabet said the decision to bring back banned accounts reflected the company's commitment to free speech. It said the company values conservative voices on its platform and recognizes their reach and important role in civic discourse.

"No matter the political atmosphere, YouTube will continue to enable free expression on its platform, particularly as it relates to issues subject to political debate," the letter read.

The move is the latest in a cascade of content moderation rollbacks from tech companies, who cracked down on false information during the pandemic and after the 2020 election but have since faced pressure from President Donald Trump and other conservatives who argue they unlawfully stifled right-wing voices in the process.

It comes as tech CEOs, including Alphabet CEO Sundar Pichai, have sought a closer relationship with the Republican president, including through high-dollar donations to his campaign and attending events in Washington.

YouTube in 2023 phased out its policy to remove content that falsely claims the 2020 election, or other past U.S. presidential elections, were marred by "widespread fraud, errors or glitches."

The platform in 2024 also retired its standalone COVID-19 content restrictions, allowing various treatments for the disease to be discussed. COVID-19 misinformation now falls under YouTube's broader medical misinformation policy.

Among the creators who have been banned from YouTube under the now-expired policies are prominent conservative influencers, including Dan Bongino, who now serves as deputy director of the FBI. For people who make money on social media, access to monetization on YouTube can be significant, earning them large sums through ad revenue.

House Judiciary Committee Chairman Jim Jordan and other congressional Republicans have pressured tech companies to reverse content moderation policies created under former President Joe Biden and accused Biden's administration of unfairly wielding its power over the companies to chill lawful

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The economy was a strength for Trump in his first term. Not anymore, according to recent polling

President Donald Trump's second-term strengths look different from his first, according to recent polling.

Once strengthened by economic issues, Trump's approval is now relatively low on the economy and he's leaning on his stronger issues of crime, border security and immigration. Concerns about the economy and immigration helped propel him to the White House, but polling over the past year shows that Americans' faith in the Republican president's handling of the economy is low, particularly among independents, and his approval on immigration has fallen slightly.

Now, Trump's strongest issues are border security and crime, but there were signs of potential weakness on crime in the most recent poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

At the same time, Trump's overall approval has been fairly steady in AP-NORC polling since the beginning of his second term in January. This month, 39% of U.S. adults approve of how Trump is handling his job as president, which is back in line with his average approval rating after a slight uptick in August. There was a similar pattern during his first White House term, when his approval stayed within a narrow range.

Here are the issues on which he's been strongest and weakest in his second term:

TRUMP'S BIGGEST STRENGTHS ARE BORDER SECURITY AND CRIME

Trump has turned border security into a strength of his second term, a sharp reversal from his first term in office.

Most U.S. adults approve of Trump's approach to border security, according to the poll. He gets higher marks on that than on his handling of the presidency overall or other issues that had previously been top strengths, including immigration and crime. This has also emerged as a unique strength of his second term. Only about 4 in 10 U.S. adults approved of Trump's approach to border security in 2019, during which time Trump was focused on securing money for a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border.

His approval on immigration is slightly lower than it was early in his second term, but it remains a bit higher than his overall job approval.

In March, about half of U.S. adults approved of his handling of immigration. The most recent measure found his approval on immigration at 43%, a tick higher than his overall approval rating.

Even with the slight dip, immigration remains a strength in a way it was not in his first term, when closer to 4 in 10 U.S. adults approved of his immigration approach. When he started his second term, it was about half who approved.

Trump has taken steps to deport immigrants who are living in the United States illegally, and the recent poll finds a sizable share of Americans — about half — say Trump has "gone too far" in pursuit of that goal. That is roughly the same share as held that stance in a poll conducted in April.

His approval on how he is handling crime is down slightly to 46%, after reaching 53% in August as he deployed the National Guard in the District of Columbia. But that still exceeds his overall job approval, and it also is an advantage among certain groups such as independents. About 4 in 10 independents approve of Trump's approach to crime, compared with 25% who approve of his approach to the presidency overall.

TRUMP IS WEAKER ON THE ECONOMY WITH INDEPENDENTS

The economy is often a fraught point for presidents, and there are indications that Americans continue to be concerned about the country's economic state.

Just 37% of U.S. adults approve of Trump's handling of the economy. That is down slightly from August, when 43% approved, but broadly in line with his overall approval.

The economy is a particularly weak issue for Trump among independents. Only about 2 in 10 independents approve of how Trump is handling the economy, much lower than the share who approve of his handling of border security and crime.

In Trump's first term, closer to half of U.S. adults approved of his handling of the economy. This height of his success on this issue came at the beginning of 2020, right before the COVID-19 pandemic sparked an economic downturn.

His approval on this issue varied throughout the pandemic, and about half of U.S. adults approved of his economic approach just before he lost the 2020 presidential election. At that point, however, more were more worried about the coronavirus pandemic than the economy. His approval has been consistently lower in his second term. When he came into office, only about 4 in 10 approved of how he handled the economy.

TRUMP'S LOWEST ISSUES AMONG REPUBLICANS: TRADE AND HEALTH CARE

About 7 in 10 Republicans approve of Trump's approach to trade negotiations with other countries and health care, marking the lowest issue ratings among his base. While he has a majority approval among Republicans on those issues, it falls short of his much higher approvals on topics such as border security and crime.

Overall, U.S. adults are not thrilled about how he is handling these issues, either. Only about one-third approve of how Trump is handling either trade negotiations with other countries or health care. These have been steadily low in recent AP-NORC polls but roughly track with Trump's overall approval. They were also similarly low in his first term.

About 6 in 10 U.S. adults say Trump has "gone too far" when it comes to imposing new tariffs on other countries. That includes about 9 in 10 Democrats but also roughly 6 in 10 independents and 3 in 10 Republicans. Very few people, including Republicans, want Trump to go further on imposing tariffs.

TRUMP IS EARNING LOWER MARKS ON THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT

Some 37% of U.S. adults approve of the way Trump is handling the conflict between the Israelis and the Palestinians, down from

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Weather

Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 71.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 65.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 70. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Friday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 65.

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2025/09/26	Fri	12:28 AM	3.48	H
2025/09/26	Fri	05:05 AM	2.40	L
2025/09/26	Fri	11:37 AM	5.18	H
2025/09/26	Fri	7:08 PM	1.07	L
2025/09/27	Sat	01:39 AM	3.05	H
2025/09/27	Sat	05:05 AM	2.74	L
2025/09/27	Sat	12:06 PM	4.95	H
2025/09/27	Sat	8:20 PM	1.26	L
2025/09/28	Sun	12:49 PM	4.69	H
2025/09/28	Sun	10:12 PM	1.25	L
2025/09/29	Mon	2:19 PM	4.46	H
2025/09/29	Mon	11:36 PM	0.97	L
2025/09/30	Tue	4:23 PM	4.53	H
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2025/10/01	Wed	11:58 AM	3.24	L
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Power#: 15
Jackpot: 127 M

Fantasy5
Draw Date: 9/23
3 8 19 26 28

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 9/23
13 24 41 42 70
Mega#: 18
Jackpot: 474 M

Daily 3
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EVENING: 7 8 9
Draw Date: 9/23
MIDDAY: 2 4 7

SuperLotto PLUS
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7 19 20 21 23
Mega#: 12
Jackpot: 45 M

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 9/23
1st: 03 - Hot Shot
2nd: 02 - Lucky Star
3rd: 01 - Gold Rush
Race Time: 1:48.97

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Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3702, 3381, and 3382, the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector is publishing in divided distribution, the Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

Notice of Online Public Auction Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell (Sale No. 2025B)

Whereas, on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, directed the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTC), to sell certain tax-defaulted properties at the online public auction.

TTC does hereby give public notice, that unless said properties are redeemed, prior to the close of business on Friday, October 17, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, the last business day prior to the first day of the online public auction, TTC will offer for sale and sell said properties on Saturday, October 18, 2025, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time, to the highest bidder, for not less than the minimum bid, at online public auction at https://www.govease.com/los-angeles.

Free computer access is available at public libraries located throughout Los Angeles County. The County and its employees are not liable for the failure of any electronic equipment that may prevent a person from participating in an online auction.

The minimum bid for each parcel is the total amount necessary to redeem, plus costs, as required by R&TC Section 3698.5.

If a property does not sell during the online public auction, the right of redemption will revive and remain until Friday, December 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

TTC will re-offer any properties that did not sell or were not redeemed prior to Friday, December 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, for sale at online public auction at https://www.govease.com/los-angeles beginning Saturday, December 6, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Information regarding this sale is available at ttc.lacounty.gov. Bidders are required to pre-register at https://www.govease.com/los-angeles and submit a deposit of $5,000, or 10 percent of the spend limit that is set by each registered bidder. Bid deposits must be in the form of wire transfer, cashier's check, or bank-issued money order at the time of registration. Registration will begin on Friday, September 12, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. Pacific Time and end on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Pursuant to R&TC Section 3692.3, TTC sells all property ''as is'' and the County and its employees are not liable for any known or unknown conditions of the properties, including, but not limited to, errors in the records of the Office of the Assessor (Assessor) pertaining to improvement of the property.

If TTC sells a property, parties of interest, as defined by R&TC Section 4675, have a right to file a claim with the County for any proceeds from the sale, which are in excess of the liens and costs required to be paid from the proceeds. If there are any excess proceeds after the application of the minimum bid, TTC will send notice to all parties of interest, pursuant to State law.

Please direct requests for information concerning redemption of tax-defaulted property to the Treasurer and Tax Collector, at 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012. You may also call (213) 974-2045, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, visit our website at ttc.lacounty.gov or email us at auction@ttc.lacounty.gov.

The Assessor's Identification Number (AIN) in this publication refers to the Assessor's Map Book, the Map Page, and the individual Parcel Number on the Map Page. If a change in the AIN occurred, the publication will show both prior and current AINs. An explanation of the parcel numbering system and the referenced maps are available at the Office of the Assessor located at 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012, or at assessor.lacounty.gov.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on September 4 , 2025.

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Treasurer and Tax Collector County of Los Angeles State of California

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Oktoberfest, Montana Ave Art Walk, Opera at the Beach & More!

SMDP's Weekly Guide to Food & Entertainment Goings-On In & Around Town includes Oktoberfest, Montana Ave Art Walk, Opera at the Beach, The Other Art Fair, and much more!



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BEER: Activities for all ages on the Promenade.

The Other Art Fair: This four-day event at The Barker Hangar showcases a curated selection of over 140 independent artists. Spy art for sale while enjoying live DJ sets, activations, installations, and a cash bar. Thursday - Sunday, Sept. 25 - 28. https://www.theotherartfair.com/la/

Penmar Oktoberfest x2 (Weekend 1: Fri 9/26, Weekend 2: Fri 10/3): Both weekends are sponsored by Paulaner Beer and feature all the authentic food, revelry, and oompah music of the season! W1 features Die Saukrauts and W2 the Ladyhosen band. Tickets are available here and include a free beer, wine or n/a. A limited number of newsletter subscribers are invited to use the coupon code OPA25 for 25% off.

"Not Enough Comedy: Venice": Billed as the Westside's premier comedy show, it aims to deliver sharp performances while fostering community engagement and supporting rising comedians. The KINN, known for its mission-driven community and curated events, provides a vibrant backdrop for the evening.

A comedy show featuring some of Los Angeles' top comedians. Friday, Sept. 26, 6:30 - 10 p.m., 150 Horizon Ave. https://www.instagram.com/notenoughcomedy_/

Hispanic Heritage Month, Piñata Party: Kids can make their own piñatas and fill them with treats! Saturday, Sept. 27, 10:30a.m., Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. https://www.instagram.com/p/DOy3a0yjudS/

Montana Ave. Art Walk: Montana Ave. transforms into a festive, car-free celebration with art, performances, kids' activities, and a VIP Wine Garden. FREE! Saturday, Sept. 27, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/montana-avenue-art-walk-tickets-1588002812159

Oktoberfest on Third Street Promenade: Enjoy this FREE event as Downtown SaMo brings the Bavarian spirit to life with live performances, drinks, kid zone, and games for all ages. Don't miss out on this Entertainment Zone event where you get a free Commemorative Downtown Santa Monica Beer Stein with purchase of a beer or cocktail. Saturday, September 27, 2 - 7p.m., 1200 - 1400 Blocks of 3rd Street Promenade (Between Wilshire & Arizona) https://www.eventbrite.com/e/oktoberfest-downtown-santa-monica-tickets-1618487903889

Opera at the Beach: West Side Story: Lights, camera, action: Gather your blankets and lawn chairs, pack your picnic, and come experience the music and drama of West Side Story under the stars. Originally conceived as an opera, we're paying tribute to Bernstein's impact with the grand operatic treatment. New York City's West Side is split between the Jets and the Sharks—but these warring gangs never imagined that two of their own could fall in love. FREE. Saturday, Sept. 27, 5p.m., SaMo Pier. https://laopera.org/community-learning/performances-events-for-all-ages

Broadstage: Stella Cole: The global viral sensation went from self-producing short a capella clips of classic standards online, to signing with one of the world's biggest music labels. Experiencing Stella perform live is like stepping into a time machine–her captivating interpretations of 20th-century American jazz standards, popular songs, and show tunes from the Great American Songbook captivate audiences of all ages and transcend generations. Saturday, Sept. 27, 7:30p.m., 1310 11th St. https://broadstage.org/tickets-shows/calendar/stella-cole/

Cinema Sundays at Sunset on the Promenade: Cinderella: This summer, Third

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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Santa Monica College Stages 'iFrankenstein' Oct. 3-12

The Santa Monica College Theatre Arts Department will perform "iFrankenstein: A reanimation story" Oct. 3-12 in the Theatre Arts Main Stage on the SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd.

Show times are 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3 and Oct. 10, and Saturday, Oct. 4 and Oct. 11. Matinees are at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5 and Oct. 12. All performances are subject to change or cancellation without notice.

Adapted from and inspired by the life and works of Mary Shelley by Terrin Adair, "iFrankenstein" is described as a haunting reminder of the devastating consequences implicated in the reanimation of life and the subsequent responsibilities humanity owes to their own creations.

The play blurs the line between memory and madness as Shelley is consumed by the ghosts of her tragic past, and the monstrous legacy of "Frankenstein" will not stay buried.

The SMC production is directed by Terrin Adair.

Advance tickets range from $25 to $30 ($18 for SMC students and staff) plus a service charge and can be purchased online at smc.edu/tickets. Tickets purchased on performance weekends at the Events Box Office at the Theatre Arts building are $3 higher.

Parking is free. Information on parking, transportation and directions can be found at smc.edu/transportation.

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Promenade

Museum of Illusions Opens Second California Location This Fall

Museum of Illusions, the world's largest growing museum chain, will open its second California location in Santa Monica this fall, bringing more than 80 interactive exhibits to the Third Street Promenade.

The 12,000-square-foot museum at 1232 3rd Street will feature eye-catching installations, mind-twisting illusions, interactive rooms and 3D holograms designed to challenge perception and spark curiosity. The Santa Monica location will unveil exclusive exhibits inspired by the city's film industry ties, California Art Deco style and beach culture.

"We are thrilled to launch the Museum of Illusions in Santa Monica and contribute to the vibrant cultural landscape of the greater Los Angeles area," said Kim Schaefer, CEO of Museum of Illusions. "With its iconic beachfront, eclectic arts scene, and proximity to world-renowned entertainment hubs, Santa Monica is an ideal setting for our growing collection of immersive, interactive museums."

The museum opened its first California location in San Diego earlier this year. The Santa Monica facility marks another step in the company's West Coast expansion across four continents in 26 countries with nearly 70 locations worldwide.

Designed for all ages, the museum teaches visitors about vision, perception, the human brain and science, helping them understand why eyes see things the brain cannot comprehend. The exhibits combine art, education and entertainment in one immersive experience.

Museum of Illusions Santa Monica will operate Sunday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., with final admission one hour before closing.

The venue offers group outings, special events, team-building activities and field trips that can be pre-booked online. Visitors can stay updated on grand opening details, promotions and special events at www.moisantamonica.com.

Museum of Illusions is part of the global Museum of Illusions Group, the largest and fastest-growing chain of private museums worldwide. The concept offers interactive experiences where exhibits play tricks on visitors' minds while demonstrating the science behind illusions.



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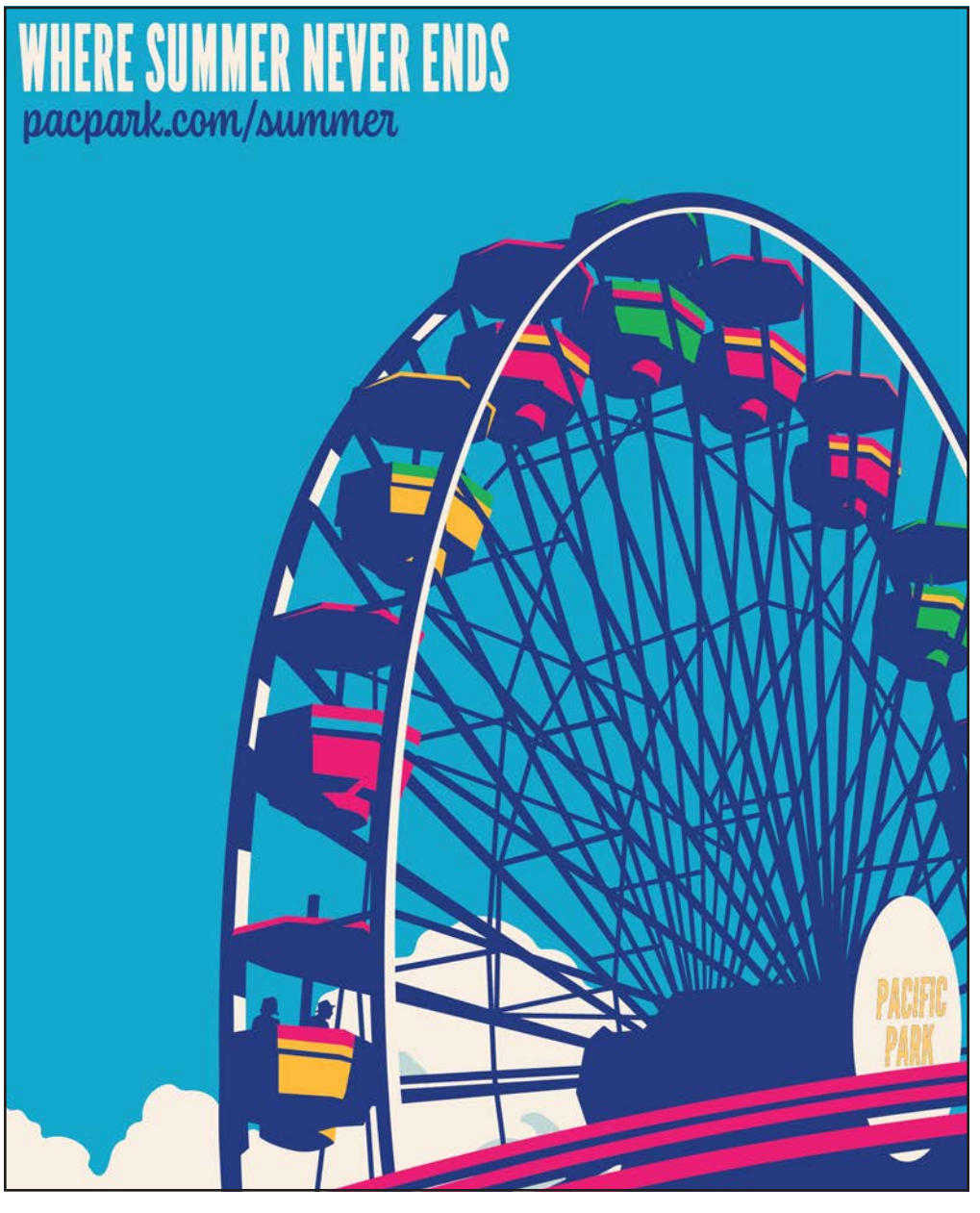
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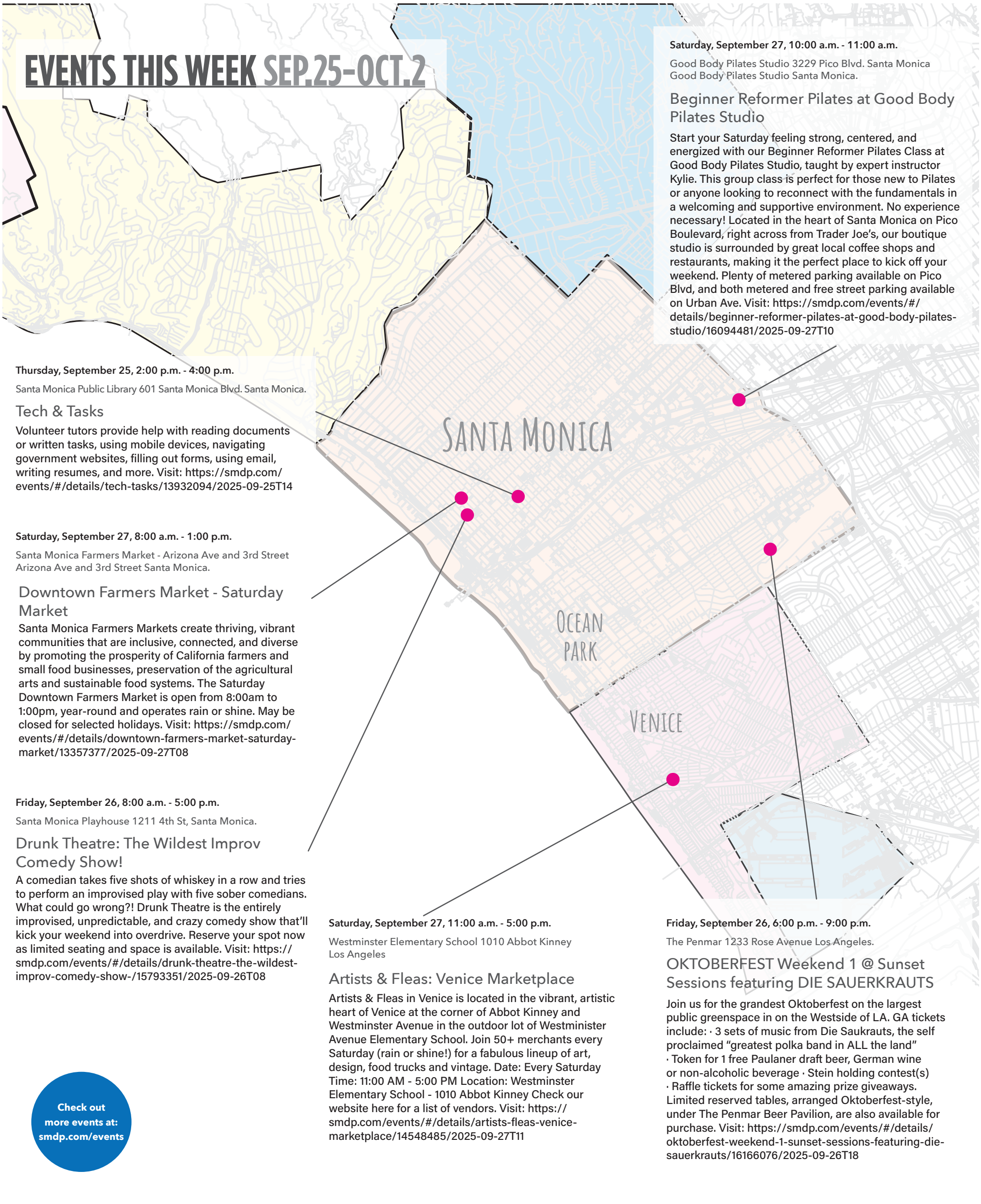
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EVENTS THIS WEEK SEP.25-OCT.2



Thursday, September 25, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Santa Monica Public Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Santa Monica.

Tech & Tasks

Volunteer tutors provide help with reading documents or written tasks, using mobile devices, navigating government websites, filling out forms, using email, writing resumes, and more. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/tech-tasks/13932094/2025-09-25T14

Saturday, September 27, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Santa Monica Farmers Market - Arizona Ave and 3rd Street Arizona Ave and 3rd Street Santa Monica.

Downtown Farmers Market - Saturday Market

Santa Monica Farmers Markets create thriving, vibrant communities that are inclusive, connected, and diverse by promoting the prosperity of California farmers and small food businesses, preservation of the agricultural arts and sustainable food systems. The Saturday Downtown Farmers Market is open from 8:00am to 1:00pm, year-round and operates rain or shine. May be closed for selected holidays. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/downtown-farmers-market-saturday-market/13357377/2025-09-27T08

Friday, September 26, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Santa Monica Playhouse 1211 4th St, Santa Monica.

Drunk Theatre: The Wildest Improv Comedy Show!

A comedian takes five shots of whiskey in a row and tries to perform an improvised play with five sober comedians. What could go wrong?! Drunk Theatre is the entirely improvised, unpredictable, and crazy comedy show that'll kick your weekend into overdrive. Reserve your spot now as limited seating and space is available. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/drunk-theatre-the-wildest-improv-comedy-show-/15793351/2025-09-26T08

Check out more events at: smdp.com/events

Saturday, September 27, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Good Body Pilates Studio 3229 Pico Blvd. Santa Monica Good Body Pilates Studio Santa Monica.

Beginner Reformer Pilates at Good Body Pilates Studio

Start your Saturday feeling strong, centered, and energized with our Beginner Reformer Pilates Class at Good Body Pilates Studio, taught by expert instructor Kylie. This group class is perfect for those new to Pilates or anyone looking to reconnect with the fundamentals in a welcoming and supportive environment. No experience necessary! Located in the heart of Santa Monica on Pico Boulevard, right across from Trader Joe's, our boutique studio is surrounded by great local coffee shops and restaurants, making it the perfect place to kick off your weekend. Plenty of metered parking available on Pico Blvd, and both metered and free street parking available on Urban Ave. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/beginner-reformer-pilates-at-good-body-pilates-studio/16094481/2025-09-27T10

Saturday, September 27, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Westminster Elementary School 1010 Abbot Kinney Los Angeles

Artists & Fleas: Venice Marketplace

Artists & Fleas in Venice is located in the vibrant, artistic heart of Venice at the corner of Abbot Kinney and Westminster Avenue in the outdoor lot of Westminister Avenue Elementary School. Join 50+ merchants every Saturday (rain or shine!) for a fabulous lineup of art, design, food trucks and vintage. Date: Every Saturday Time: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Location: Westminster Elementary School - 1010 Abbot Kinney Check our website here for a list of vendors. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/artists-fleas-venice-marketplace/14548485/2025-09-27T11

Friday, September 26, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Penmar 1233 Rose Avenue Los Angeles.

OKTOBERFEST Weekend 1 @ Sunset Sessions featuring DIE SAUERKRAUTS

Join us for the grandest Oktoberfest on the largest public greenspace in on the Westside of LA. GA tickets include: · 3 sets of music from Die Saukrauts, the self proclaimed "greatest polka band in ALL the land" · Token for 1 free Paulaner draft beer, German wine or non-alcoholic beverage · Stein holding contest(s) · Raffle tickets for some amazing prize giveaways. Limited reserved tables, arranged Oktoberfest-style, under The Penmar Beer Pavilion, are also available for purchase. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/oktoberfest-weekend-1-sunset-sessions-featuring-die-sauerkrauts/16166076/2025-09-26T18

ECONOMY

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the 44% who approved in March.

Slightly fewer Republicans approve of how Trump is handling the conflict — 72%, compared with 82% of Republicans who approved of the way Trump was handling the issue in March. Democrats are also slightly less likely to approve: 9% now, down from 14% in March.

Despite this, Trump's approval on foreign policy has been steady. About 4 in 10 U.S. adults approve, in line with April.

By LINLEY SANDERS Associated Press. The AP-NORC poll of 1,183 adults was conducted Sept. 11-15, using a sample drawn from NORC's probability-based AmeriSpeak Panel, which is designed to be representative of the U.S. population. The margin of sampling error for adults overall is plus or minus 3.8 percentage points.

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT: 24ENT-0114 (Fence Wall Hedge Height Modification)
1838 20th Street
APPLICANT: Melissa Diner
PROPERTY OWNER: Lynn Shapiro

A public hearing will be held by the Zoning Administrator to consider the following request:

The applicant requests approval of a Fence Wall Hedge Height Modification (FWHM) to allow a proposed fence up to 8 feet 9 inches in height within the front yard setback. The proposed fence up to 8 feet 9 inches in height exceeds the maximum allowable height of 42 inches in the front yard setback in the Low Density Residential (R2) zoning district. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Sections 9.21.050 and 9.04.050(D), fences, walls, or hedges cannot exceed a maximum height of 42 inches within the required front yard setback as measured from the lowest finished grade adjacent to either side of the fence, wall, or hedge. Pursuant to SMMC Section 9.04.050(D), in the cases of fences, walls, or hedges that are parallel to and within 5 feet of a public sidewalk, grade shall be the elevation of the closest point on the sidewalk. SMMC Section 9.43.080(B) allows an applicant to request a modification to this height limitation in the front yard setback.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025, AT 10:30 AM**

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Members of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the public hearing via email to planningcomment@santamonica.gov or via mail to the address listed below. Comments received prior to 5:30 P.M. the day before the meeting will be distributed to the Zoning Administrator prior to the meeting and posted online. All written comments shall be made part of the public record. Please note the agenda item in your comments.

You may also comment in-person at the Zoning Administrator hearing. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment.

Address your comments to: **Becky Jones, Associate Planner**
Re: 24ENT-0114

VIA E-MAIL: planningcomment@santamonica.gov
VIA MAIL: City Planning Division
1685 Main Street, Mail Stop 28
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Becky Jones by e-mail at becky.jones@santamonica.gov. The Zoning Ordinance is available on the City's web site at www.santamonica.gov. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (866) 311-7266 at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate languages provided that the request is made within 72 hours of the meeting. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

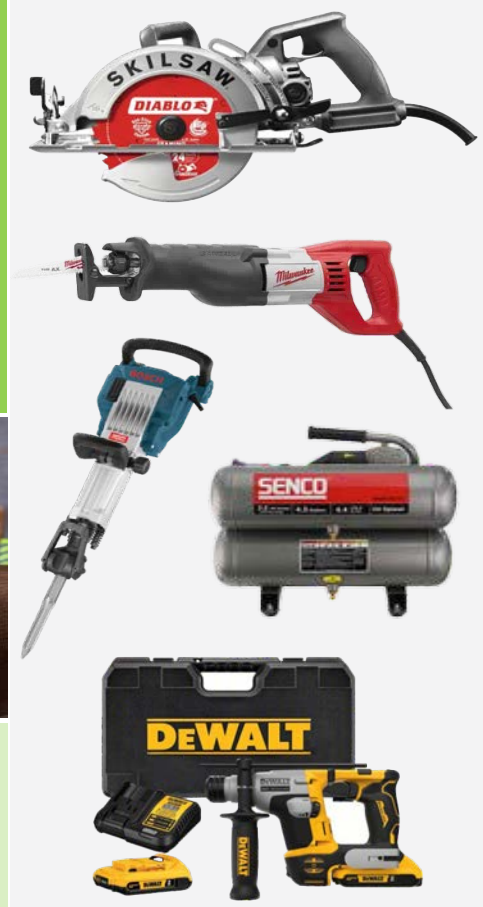
ESPAÑOL
Esto es una noticia pública para revisar applicaciónes proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si desea más información, favor de llamar a Ana Fernandez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-2201 ext. 2431 o envíe un correo electrónico a ana.fernandez@santamonica.gov.

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AROUND TOWN

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Street Promenade transforms into Santa Monica's most charming outdoor movie theater every weekend. Sunday, Sept. 28, 6 p.m., in front of the Apple Store, 1415 3rd Street Promenade https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cinema-sundays-at-sunset-tickets-1588204385069

ONGOING: "Two Bit Circus" Pop-Up; LiteBrite Experience; Wellness & Waves (through 10/11); Weekly Western Wednesday Line Dancing (through 10/29); Penmar Sunset Sessions (through 10/31)

WHAT TO EAT & DRINK?

$20 Luke's Lobster Rolls for National Lobster Day: Yes...National Lobster Day is a thing. Ha! Each roll is filled with wild-caught and sustainably sourced lobster meat on a split-top, toasted buttered bun with a swipe of mayo, a drizzle of lemon butter, and a sprinkle of Luke's Secret Seasoning. Each order also comes with chips and a soft drink. Thursday & Friday, Sept. 25 - 26, 200 Santa Monica Blvd. https://www.instagram.com/lukeslobster/

Taste the Flame: Jack Arnold BBQ Experience at Fairmont Miramar: Feast on dry-aged Steaks from Colorado Craft Beef, expertly grilled over XL Kong Ceramic Grills by Grilla Grills, paired with artisanal salts by Osmo. Enjoy sips of Tequila Seltzers, Piña Colada mimosas, and more. The night will glow with live-fire theatrics, curated bites, and signature Jack Arnold flair. Whether you're a barbecue fanatic or just looking for an epic night out, this is your chance to taste the flame. Saturday, Sept. 27, 5p.m., 101 Wilshire Blvd. https://www.fairmont-miramar.com/explore/event-calendar/#!/event/9ab92a96-23af-4472-adb9-1170e2edf2cd

Stop The Void Charity Dinner at Citrin: The special 5-course dinner will feature Michelin-starred guest chefs Matthew Kammerer (Harbor House Inn), William Bradley (Addison), & Genevieve Gergis (Bestia, Bavel, Saffy's) at Citrin & Mélisse, benefiting Stop the Void, a charity close to Chef Josiah's heart. After losing his son Augie at 23 years old, Chef Citrin has dedicated his time to spreading awareness of fentanyl poisoning in the hopes that his work can help at least one person. $750. Sunday, Sept. 28, 1104 Wilshire Blvd. https://www.opentable.com/booking/experiences-availability?rid=1070095&restref=1070095&experienceId=529771

Wally's Celebrating 100 Years of Rioja Tasting: Enjoy 5 exceptional wines alongside artisanal cheese, charcuterie, and small bites from their kitchen. $75. Thursday, Oct. 2, 5p.m., 214 Wilshire Blvd. https://www.opentable.com/booking/experiences-availability?rid=1020850&restref=1020850&experienceId=535715

Blue Plate Oysterette Community Dinner Series: Join a gourmet dinner at sunset for $33. Enjoy a chef-curated meal, mingle with your Santa Monica neighbors, and soak in the sunset from our communal table. This month the featured dish will be seafood enchiladas served with shaved elote and Mexican slaw.. Monday, Sept. 29, 6 - 8p.m., 1355 Ocean Ave. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bpo-community-dinner-series-tickets-1712476375939

Birdie G's, once called 'Santa Monica's hottest restaurant,' set to close in December: The celebrated restaurant from chef-partner Jeremy Fox will close Dec. 31, citing the January fires and a range of other economic impacts as contributing factors. Birdie G's plans to end its run with specials, guest chefs and experimentation through the rest of the year. https://www.latimes.com/food/story/2025-09-17/birdie-gs-restaurant-jeremy-fox-closing-santa-monica

Rustic Canyon ON MEAT / Kwéyòl Dinner: Join renowned chef and bestselling author Jeremy Fox of Los Angeles's Rustic Canyon and Birdie G's for an exclusive dinner at Rustic Canyon in collaboration with Nina Compton in celebration of Fox's new book On Meat (Phaidon) and Compton's new book Kwéyòl / Creole (Clarkson Potter). Thursday, October 2, 2025 5:00 PM https://resy.com/cities/los-angeles-ca/venues/rustic-canyon/events/on-meat-kweyol-dinner-at-rustic-canyon-2025-10-02

Multiple SaMo Shops Make the Infatuation's "Best Sandwich Shops in LA" List: Bread Head, Bay Cities, Lady & Larder, and Tre Mani all get love! For Tre Mani, they say it "is a lunchtime-only sandwich pop-up inside Ghisallo that makes schiacciata sandwiches. That's the word for Roman-style flatbread, or as we like to call it, another big-ass Italian sandwich in LA. The incredible bread is baked by Jyan Isaac next door and is spongy and fluffy on the inside, and crackly on the outside. Ghisallo brings the filling to the party, and the results are glorious: mortadella with horseradish and fennel, salty salami punched up with sweet blueberry jam, and roasted eggplant with a hit of Calabrian chili heat." https://www.theinfatuation.com/los-angeles/guides/best-sandwich-shops-in-la

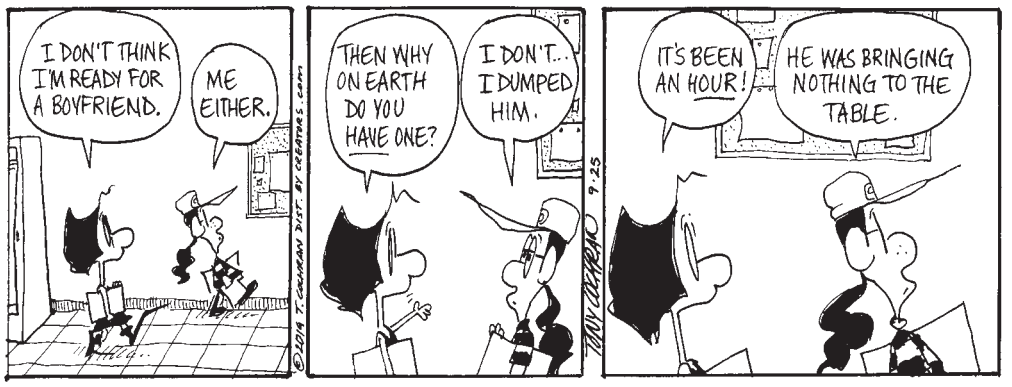
Looking Ahead: Tech St. Santa Monica (10/13); 3rd St. Promenade Dia de los Muertos Celebration (10/18); Main St. Day of the Dog Festival (10/19); OTH Santa Monica Seafood Festival (10/19)

If there's something you think is worth highlighting, you can reach out directly to me at sean@smdp.com. Let me know if you have any feedback on Around Town: Oktoberfest, Montana Ave Art Walk, Opera at the Beach & More!



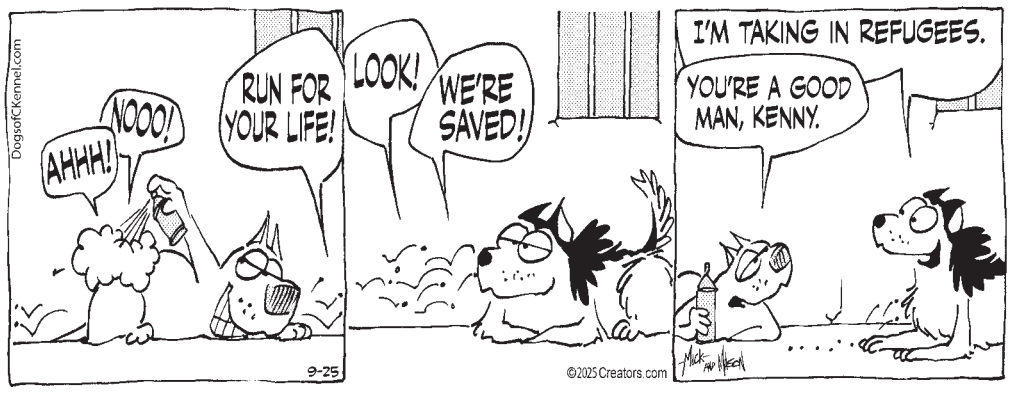
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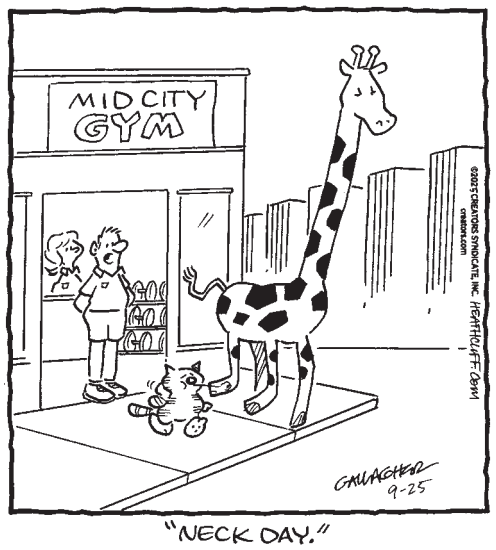
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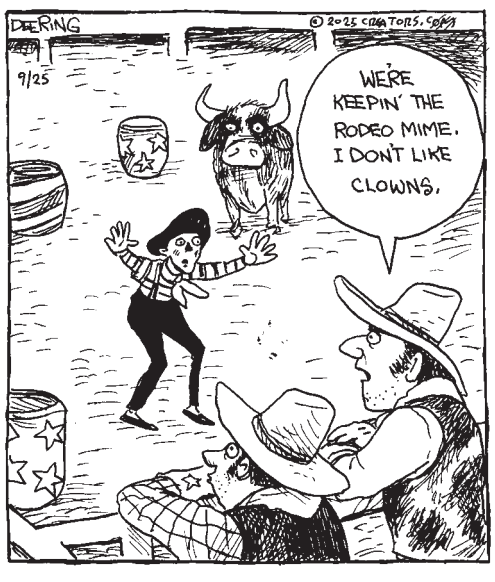
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"NECK DAY."

Strange Brew

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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 20 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 6709

Building with timber

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Beam	Exterior	Limb	Saws
Birds	Fall	Logs	Scorch
Boat	Fascia	Lumber	Snake
Bush	Fell	Maple	Soft
Chisel	Fire	Mills	Species
Chop	Flora	Mitre	Spruce
Clear	Gully	Motor	Tough
Controversial	Gums	Old growth	Trim
Count	Hard	Plane	Turpentine
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 25)

Welcome to your Year of Splendor. Beauty surrounds you; it's in your face, your body, your environment, your circle. It's in your heart. And as you see, celebrate, create, buy and invest in beauty, you only get more. More highlights: A romance that makes you radiant, the perfect friend-group chemistry, a trip you'll remember forever and a cash-in from past work. Leo and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 11, 7, 15 and 24.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're not afraid to notice when something's off. The unfair can be made right, mistakes and breaks can be fixed. Today you'll have the opening to either solve or shed light on the issue so others can recognize and help.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The work is endless, yet so is your strength. You think you're running out, and then another reserve appears. How quickly you will rebound! It's a reminder that resilience is your most renewable resource.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Yes, the quality of your work is important. But how people perceive it matters just as much, maybe more. Think about your audience and the experience they have of your work. Think about what it solves for them.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Even on days you feel invisible, the world reflects back your brightness. Your presence makes strangers smile. Someone's warm words will remind you that you're not only seen; you're deeply felt.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's no such thing as wasted time when you're awake inside of it. Even delays, detours or aches hold meaning. A moment you thought was small will reveal itself as essential, adding richness to your story.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Gratitude rises like a second sun, not replacing sadness but shining beside it. You can cry and still be thankful. You can hurt and still be hopeful. The balance is beautiful, and today you'll recognize how much grace is in you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Today brings spotlight energy. And though you don't even know if you're ready to rise to the "big moment" by being willing and giving yourself over to it, something wonderful comes through. You were meant to be in this warm glow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You long for rest and beauty, and they are closer than you think. A glimpse in the mirror, a compliment, a flash of light across the yard - these will remind you you're already embodying both.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Love often feels subtle, but it is still everywhere for you when you think about it. The affection of an animal, the loyalty of a client, the gentleness of a loved one... all clear signs of how cherished you are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A duty that has befallen to you can feel mighty heavy indeed, but it's also your crown. You hold your head high, and people see the power without knowing how it feels for you. At least today, there are royal perks to enjoy, too.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's not your responsibility to fill in every gap today. When the money or energy is low, when there's silence or space that begs filling, when there's a lack of knowledge or skill, wait to see what grows from the nothingness.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A forward-thinking attitude will help you out later. How can you use this time when things are going right to set yourself up for some security later? Future-you might like to take a risk that is only made possible by the extra padding you thought to work on now.

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.

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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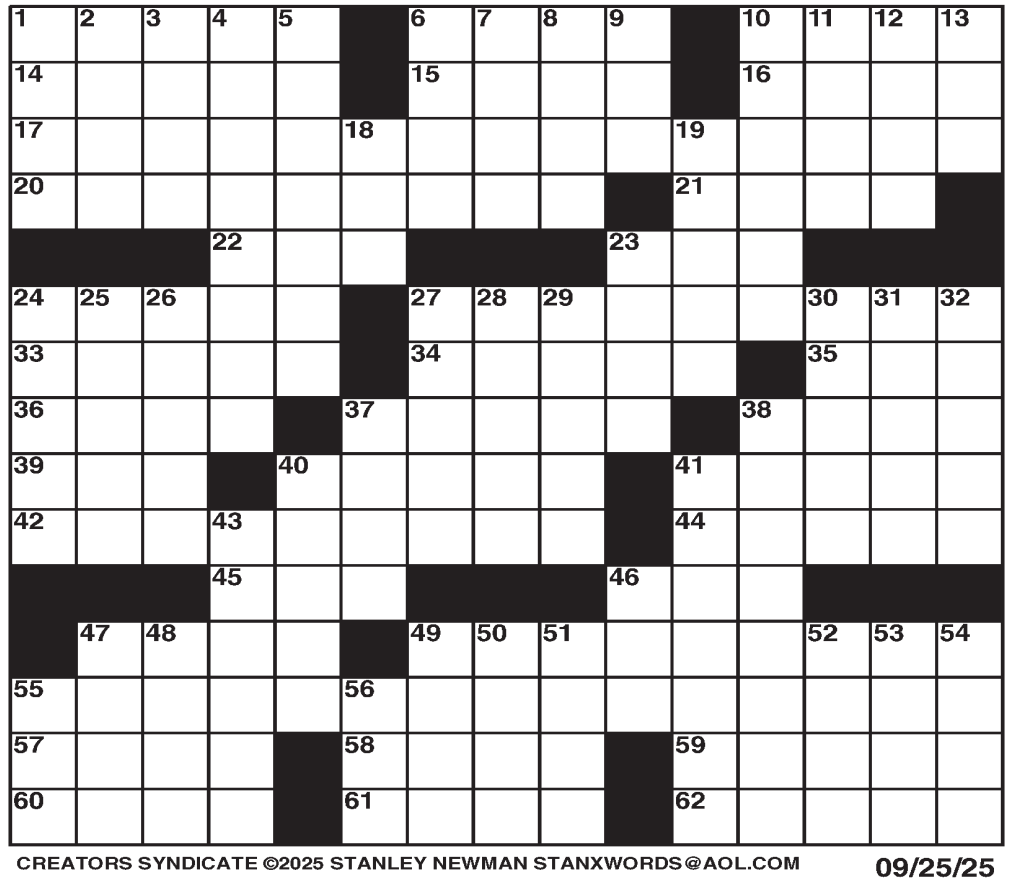
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15 Leap over ice
16 Sistine Chapel ceiling subject
17 Spicy starter
20 When the light dawns
21 Thin movie screen
22 *Metal precioso*
23 Most valuable diamond
24 Go around
27 Spicy entrée
33 Bamboo plants
34 Botanical healers
35 Spam generator
36 Barely
37 Contact info
38 Sound wistful
39 Saucy talk
40 Oil holders
41 Electronics store section
42 Spicy soup
44 Hair piece
45 Stuff in sleeves
46 Zing
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55 Spicy starter
57 One of the Brontës
58 Amount to pay in Calais
59 Fancy neckerchief
60 Loathsome person
61 Close kin
62 Dublin-born poet

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3 Adjacent notes
4 Lovestruck
5 "Direct" subordinate staff
6 Well-grounded
7 Nerve cell appendage
8 Was visibly upset
9 Letters on urban pavements
10 Mountaineer's descent method
11 Sudden inspiration
12 23-Across, e.g.
13 Royal Navy designation
18 Punk rock offshoot
19 Typesetting measures
23 Genesis flock keeper
24 Hairdresser concern
25 Name that Cole Porter rhymed with "Haiti"
26 Online purchase adjective
27 Congest
28 "Cradle of Texas Liberty"
29 How many prefer their muffins
30 Tolerate
31 Meditation masters
32 Dumas duelist
37 Goes astray
38 Essence of much humor
40 Lowness of pitch
41 Eroded
43 Found a job for
46 Pullet 38-Down, for instance
47 Proscription
48 Peak south of the Alps
49 Light beige
50 Smartphone cover
51 Something carried for a course
52 Ancient llama herder
53 Elton John achievement of 2024
54 Former fast flyers
55 Word after sun or rain
56 Pub designation



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YOUTUBE

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online speech.

In Tuesday's letter, Alphabet's lawyers said senior Biden administration officials "conducted repeated and sustained outreach" to coerce the company to remove pandemic-related YouTube videos that did not violate company policies.

"It is unacceptable and wrong when any government, including the Biden Administration, attempts to dictate how the Company moderates content, and the Company has consistently fought against those efforts on First Amendment grounds," the letter said.

Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg has also accused the Biden administration of pressuring employees to inappropriately censor content during the COVID-19 pandemic. Elon Musk, the owner of the social platform X, has accused the FBI of illegally coercing Twitter before his tenure to suppress a story about Hunter Biden.

The Supreme Court last year sided with former President Joe Biden's administration in a dispute with Republican-led states over how far the federal government can go to combat controversial social media posts on topics including COVID-19 and election security.

Asked for more information about the reinstatement process, a spokesperson for YouTube did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

By ALI SWENSON Associated Press

PROTECTIONS

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students, families, faculty and staff if an immigration enforcement agent is present on campus.

The urgency of these protections is underscored by California's demographics. According to the Urban Institute, one in two children in California have at least one immigrant parent, while one in five children have parents whose immigration statuses differ from each other. Ninety-three percent of children in mixed-status families are United States citizens.

To support immediate implementation of the new laws, the California Department of Education has published "Our Schools: Resources for Including Immigrant Families," a comprehensive toolkit featuring family-facing posters and informational cards in multiple languages. The materials communicate that all schools must provide every child with access to education and a safe learning environment, regardless of immigration status.

The toolkit covers critical topics including protecting student and family privacy, guidance on responding to immigration agent presence, caregiver affidavit information, and tips for updating school safety plans. Schools are encouraged to display these materials prominently in offices and common areas.

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District already has some protections in place for local students. The district proactively reinforced its commitment as a safe haven for immigrant families, with its board first declaring all campuses "safe zones" in 2016 and reaffirming this stance in February 2025.

At that time Superintendent Dr. Antonio Shelton said no immigration officer may access school grounds without proper judicial authorization and that the district remains a welcoming environment for all students.

SMMUSD has created a dedicated online Immigration Resources section on its Student Services webpage, providing know-your-rights information and preparedness materials. The district offers families practical tools including the Immigrant Legal Resource Center's "Step-by-Step Family Preparedness Plan" template, which helps families create emergency plans in case of immigration enforcement actions.

The district has also incorporated the state's "Our Schools" toolkit materials across all school sites, posting multilingual posters and informational cards to reassure immigrant families that campuses remain safe and accessible while informing staff how to handle encounters with immigration agents.

Under the new legislation, all local educational agencies must develop communication protocols to immediately notify families of any immigration agent presence at or near schools. Districts must also submit their updated local immigration enforcement policies to the state by March 1, 2026, following guidance from the California Attorney General.

For families seeking additional resources, the CDE's 'Including Immigrant Families' webpage provides comprehensive information and support materials in multiple languages: https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/if/index.asp

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Name Change

Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00437 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Miriam Candelario for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Miriam Candelario court for a decree of changing names as follows: Miriam Candelario to Miriam Candelario Carillio . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall 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 10/24 /2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _ The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica Courthouse 7215 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90401. 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

HOURS MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00am - 5:00pm **LOCATION** 1640 5th Street, Suite 218, Santa Monica, CA 90401



THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 25

MOON HOOCH

8:00 p.m. The Venice West 1717 Lincoln Blvd, Venice. $55.47. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/moon-hooch/16443986/2025-09-25T20

FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 26

LIVE MUSIC FRIDAYS AT THE SURFING FOX

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. 120 Colorado Ave. Santa Monica. Erinn Alissa performs acoustic folk pop with her guitar Friday nights at The Surfing Fox. Enjoy a night of live music, tasty bites, and Foxtails! Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/live-music-fridays-at-the-surfing-fox/14385252/2025-09-26T18

SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 27

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS AT PICO BRANCH LIBRARY

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Pico Branch Library 2201 Pico Blvd. Santa Monica. Enjoy light refreshments, connect with neighbors, and learn about SMPL's Community Mapping initiative! Share your feedback through a brief survey or join a guided discussion with library staff. Your input will help us map our library's future. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/community-conversations-at-pico-branch-library/16220810/2025-09-27T10

PIÑATA PARTY

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Santa Monica Public Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Santa Monica. Make a small piñata and fill it with treats in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. Materials will be provided. For ages 5 - 10. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/pi-ata-party/16455902/2025-09-27T11

ROOTS & WELLNESS: A CULTURAL AROMA BLENDING EXPERIENCE

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Santa Monica Public Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Santa Monica. Roots & Wellness is an immersive, interactive art and aroma installation designed to engage the public in a multi-sensory exploration of scent, memory, and cultural connection. Created by sensory artist Parisa Parnian, this experience invites participants to discover how natural botanicals and aromas can serve as a bridge between personal history, nature, and emotional well-being. At the installation, visitors will have the opportunity to interact with beautifully designed, themed aroma-blending stations, each featuring a curated selection of dried flowers, herbs, spices, and essential oils. These elements are inspired by diverse cultural traditions, local landscapes, and the universal connection between scent and memory. Participants will be encouraged to create their own custom aroma blends, filling small sachets with botanicals that resonate with them personally. Registration is required. This project is made possible through a grant from the Art of Recovery initiative by Cultural Affairs of the City of Santa Monica. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/roots-wellness-a-cultural-aroma-blending-experience/16455903/2025-09-27T14

MULATTO MATH: SUMMING UP THE RACE EQUATION IN AMERICA

7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Santa Monica Playhouse 1211 4th Street Santa Monica. It's Monique DeBose's edgy one woman show, part of the exciting "Black History [every] Month" 2025 project. "Very entertaining, cool, and enlightening...poignant and humorous!" LOS ANGELES BEAT. Through original music and stories of her family's history, this mixed race woman (from an African American father from the segregated south and Irish American mother from upstate New York) shares her most precious, vulnerable stories of her exploration of family, race and identity. As an audience member, you get the have the experience of being a fly on the wall for some of the most potent and real conversations from 'the other side.' The show is heartfelt, funny and an intimate look at race and the implications of race consciousness in America. Yes, it's one woman's story...but audiences from all backgrounds have found themselves and heard their own voices in Monique's story. Live music and multi-media, too! $25.50 to $29.50—Post-show wine and nibbles reception included. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/mulatto-math-summing-up-the-race-equation-in-america/16638092/2025-09-27T19

SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 28

THE WATERFRONT - SUNDAY REAL FUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The Waterfront 205 Ocean Front Walk Venice. Enjoy a bottomless brunch buffet Sundays at The Waterfront! The Waterfront Venice is a full-service restaurant celebrating Californian cuisine with views of the Pacific Ocean. Situated between Rose and Navy on the famous Venice Beach Boardwalk, our food & beverage menus celebrate California with carefully selected seasonal produce from local farms. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/the-waterfront-sunday-real-funday-brunch-buffet/14894114/2025-09-28T11

MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 29

CITIZENSHIP CLASS

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Pico Branch Library 2201 Pico Blvd. Santa Monica. An ongoing series of citizenship classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. The classes help students study the 100 civics questions, practice the dictations, review the citizenship application, and prepare for the interview.Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/citizenship-class/16220806/2025-09-29T10

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. TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED @ https://ci.ovationtix.com/34923/production/1126449?performanceId=11576550. $10.00 Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/the-gordons-improv-residency/14863274/2025-09-29T19


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