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Santa Monica show pairs assemblage pioneers with artists carrying the form forward



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ART: Ocean Park native Lou D'Elia shows assemblage work alongside foundational artists at California Heritage Museum through Nov. 15.

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Lou D'Elia was born in Ocean Park in 1951, still lives there and makes his art in what was once his father's woodshop. Now 75, the assemblage artist is showing his work in his hometown alongside some of the medium's foundational artists, including the man who encouraged him to make art.

"Some Assemblage Required," on view

at the California Heritage Museum until it closes Nov. 15, pairs foundational assemblage artists with mid-career and emerging artists who are extending that tradition.

The foundational group includes Edward Kienholz, George Herms, Alison Saar, Michael C. McMillen, Ben Talbert, Tony Berlant, Carl Cheng, Alexis Smith, William Tunberg and Gordon Wagner. The contemporary artists are D'Elia, Chris Fraticelli, Sheila Elias, David Lovejoy and Jeff Mounds. Tobi Smith, the

museum's executive director and curator, organized the exhibition.

Assemblage is three-dimensional art made by joining found objects, everyday items and nontraditional materials. Jean Dubuffet coined the term in 1953. The museum says the show traces how the medium has evolved and how artists still use it to critique culture and explore identity.

"Assemblage wasn't invented here, but Los Angeles County gave it a particularly

fertile home," D'Elia said in written responses to questions. He described the region as a place where different histories, cultures, industries and personalities come together. "We manufacture dreams, tear things down, reinvent ourselves, and leave behind an extraordinary assortment of evidence. For an assemblage artist, there's a lot to work with."

Michael C. McMillen, whose garage

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LA Tech Week brings AI, venture capital and startup energy to Santa Monica and Venice

MICHELLE EDGAR

Special to the Daily Press

Google, a16z and Anthropic headlined Westside programming at hundreds of technology events across Los Angeles last week.

Santa Monica and Venice have emerged as two of the busiest hubs for LA Tech Week, with nearly 300 events listed across the neighboring communities as startup founders, venture capitalists, developers and technology companies gather for a week focused on artificial intelligence, investment and the future of entrepreneurship.

The citywide gathering, presented by venture capital firm Andreessen Horowitz (a16z), began Monday through Sunday, October 18, transforming offices, studios, restaurants and creative spaces into gathering places for the technology industry.

According to the official LA Tech Week calendar, Santa Monica has 202 event listings and Venice has 92, making the Westside one of the largest concentrations of activity during the week.

For Santa Monica, the gathering reflects a longstanding commitment to attracting entrepreneurs and emerging industries. "Santa Monica is proud to serve as a hub of innovation," said Jennifer Taylor City of Santa Monica's Economic Development Manager. "From pioneering advances in sustainability and mobility, to nurturing business start-ups who have reshaped technology, commerce and entertainment, Santa Monica has always

been a place where bold ideas take root."

Taylor welcomed the technology community to the region, emphasizing the city's commitment to supporting innovation. "We welcome the global technology community to Santa Monica and the LA region and look forward to more opportunities to support creativity, collaboration and forward-thinking innovation," she said.

Unlike a traditional technology conference held in a convention center, LA Tech Week is organized through independently hosted events, ranging from startup pitches and investor meetings to hands-on AI demonstrations, workshops and conversations about the industries shaping Southern California's economy.

Google is among the major technology companies participating, with programming in Venice focused on artificial intelligence, entrepreneurship and the tools needed to build and scale businesses.

On Wednesday, Google for Startups hosted a hub for founders, developers and investors featuring sessions on innovation, Gemini's artificial intelligence capabilities, business growth and customer acquisition. Google for Developers also offered hands-on coding workshops at 57 Windward Avenue in Venice, connecting participants with experts in AI applications, cloud infrastructure and software development.

The company's engagement with the region was also part of a broader economic-development conversation Wednesday at the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce's

Hollywood Next Economic Development Summit.

Kevin Sanchez Morales, representing Google's Government Affairs and Public Policy team, discussed the company's involvement in the Los Angeles entrepreneurial community, including Studio G in Venice and its connection to LA Tech Week.

The discussion highlighted the growing intersection of technology, entertainment and business development across Southern California, where artificial intelligence is increasingly influencing how companies operate, content is produced and new ventures are launched.

For Santa Monica, the activity began Monday with the official a16z Tech Week kickoff, hosted in partnership with HSBC and Fenwick, bringing together founders, investors and technology leaders.

Thursday's schedule included an a16z Speedrun Startup Culture Brunch connecting advisors and angel investors, followed by a Founder Lunch Club involving financial technology companies Fin, Stripe and Ramp.

Other Santa Monica programming included an investor panel and live startup pitches, along with Cocktails and Capital, a gathering designed to connect entrepreneurs with potential financial partners.

The activity extended into neighboring Venice, where Thursday's LA Claude Community Creator Summit, hosted by TechSpace and associated with Anthropic, brings together developers and creators exploring artificial intelligence and its

applications in content development. An Overlook and a16z Speedrun investor dinner is also scheduled Thursday in Venice.

On Friday, the Westside's programming continued with a Gold House Ventures and a16z Speedrun investors social in Santa Monica, followed by an official a16z and ElevenLabs afterparty in Venice.

The convergence of venture capital, artificial intelligence and digital content reflects an evolving technology economy in which software companies, entertainment businesses and independent creators increasingly overlap.

Artificial intelligence is among the dominant themes of this year's LA Tech Week. The official calendar includes more than 400 AI-tagged event listings, alongside programming focused on fundraising, entertainment, robotics, aerospace, advanced manufacturing and the creator economy.

For Santa Monica businesses, the immediate opportunities extend to restaurants, hotels, coworking spaces and event venues serving participating founders, investors and technology companies.

The longer-term question is whether the relationships established during the week translate into new investment, business formation, employment and sustained demand for commercial space.

That opportunity is particularly relevant as Santa Monica continues to consider the future of its commercial districts and the

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Why the fate of California's wealth tax could be decided well after the election



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SAN FRANCISCO: A supporter holds a sign during a "Ballots Over Billionaires" rally in San Francisco on Oct. 3, 2026.

The passage of Proposition 13 in 1978 was arguably the most significant political event in California during the last half of the 20th century.

While its primary purpose was limiting property tax increases, it also made raising other state and local taxes more difficult. It shifted public school support from local taxpayers to the state, profoundly impacted residential and commercial property markets, and spawned tax limitation campaigns in other states.

Prop. 13 also fuels a perpetual debate over how California's public services should be financed that has spun off other ballot measures. One is Proposition 98, a 1988 measure that guarantees a certain level of state school support. And in 2020, voters rejected Proposition 15, which would have eliminated limits on taxing commercial property.

This year, Prop. 13's advocates are pushing Proposition 43, which would require local tax increases to gain two-thirds voter approval. It would counteract a prior state Supreme Court decision exempting from that threshold taxes proposed via initiative.

Another measure on the ballot this year, Proposition 40, could have consequences that would rival Prop. 13's life-altering effects if it were to pass. Prop. 40 would impose a one-time 5% tax on the wealth of about 200 California billionaires, with all but a small share of its proceeds used to shore up healthcare services that have seen declining federal and state support.

It's sponsored by SEIU-United Healthcare Workers West and draws support from left-leaning groups and politicians, such as U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders. Mainstream Democrats and other unions are divided. Gov. Gavin Newsom and his almost certain successor, Xavier Becerra, are opposed.

Billionaires such as Google co-founder

Sergey Brin are spending hundreds of millions of dollars to oppose Prop. 40 and to pass Proposition 41 and Proposition 42, which would negate Prop. 40's implementation if they gain more votes.

At the moment, Prop. 40 appears to be trailing. The most recent survey by the Citrin-POLITICO poll puts support at 46%, with 43% opposed.

If Prop. 40 fails, we'll never know what its consequences would be, just as Prop. 13 was a shot in the dark and its history is still being written.

However, one could make some educated guesses about what might occur should Prop. 40 enjoy a late-stage surge.

The first post-election factor would be whether Prop. 41, Prop. 42 or both also passed with more votes than Prop. 40. If Prop. 40 is not thwarted by either of those poison-pill measures, the next test would probably come in the courts, both state and federal.

Lawyers who helped draft the measure believe they have made it legally bulletproof. However, critics have laid out an array of potential legal challenges that would be novel because a wealth tax itself is unprecedented.

Assuming it survives the legal challenges, Prop. 40's next hurdle would be logistic. The state Franchise Tax Board would devise ways to define, locate and value the taxable items of wealth. Cash and monetary investments would be fairly easy, but intangibles such as corporate ownerships and jewelry are trickier. Each of those procedural steps could also face legal hurdles.

There is also the question of residency. Prop. 40 says every billionaire who was a California resident on Jan. 1 must pay, but those who change residence after that

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Surf report WATER TEMP: 71.6

WEDNESDAY | **SURF:** 1-2ft
POOR TO FAIR | Knee to thigh

Another smaller morning of waves, a little more push late as new SSW swell creeps in. Small surf continues through the morning, enough NW windswell in the mix to break up the southerly swell in the water but the deep morning high tide is going to be an issue for most of the beachbreaks west of Dume. Points stay rideable on the small wave gear, get a touch more push on the PM low tide. Light E wind and clean early, a little ruffle as wind trends SE/S through the morning. Similar to Tuesday, onshore flow looks manageable in the afternoon/evening.

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

SSW swell creeps up through the day with just a touch of NW mixing in. Clean start, tide a factor. New round of SSW swell builds in through the day. Summer exposures haul in the most size while there's just enough NW energy for an occasional corner but points are best. The tide is a little better for the dawn patrol but many breaks are still slow and the late-AM high tide is over 6' again (predicted, will be pushing 7.5'+). Wind is light for a clean start, a bit of structure helping the cause. Onshore flow develops in the afternoon but stays manageable.



Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 73.

Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 58. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light and variable.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 72. East southeast wind around 5 mph becoming south southwest in the afternoon.

Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers after 11pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.

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2026/10/29	Thur	07:02 PM	-0.59	L
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An Open Letter to Santa Monicans for Renters’ Rights

I never imagined I would have to write this letter. Not because I expected your endorsement, but because I grew up believing Santa Monicans for Renters’ Rights stood for families like mine. Working-class families. Immigrant families. People who worked hard, paid their rent, raised their children, and wanted the security of calling Santa Monica home.

My father, mother, uncle, and I have paid dues to this organization. We believed in its mission. I still believe in rent control. I still believe in protecting tenants. What I struggle to recognize is the organization that claims to speak for us. I was born and raised here. I’m a mother, small business owner, and renter living in a rent-controlled home. Rent stabilization isn’t a political talking point for me. It’s part of my life.

Yet for two election cycles, SMRR has portrayed me as a threat to renters. This year, you gave me an “F,” declared that renters cannot trust me, and sent an email questioning my integrity. I received that email, too. I am one of your dues-paying members. I am one of the renters you claim to protect. Since when did independent thinking become a betrayal of renters’ rights?

SMRR helped establish and defend rent control. That history deserves respect. But nearly five decades of influence do not give any organization ownership over a community, a cause, or its elected representatives. Its endorsements, political spending, and relationships with other influential organizations have made SMRR a powerful institution in local politics. Who leads that institution today? How many decision-makers are renters themselves? How representative is its leadership of the working-class, immigrant, younger, and culturally diverse communities it claims to champion?

Diversity cannot mean inviting people into the room only if they agree with everyone already sitting at the table. And progressive values must be demonstrated through actions, not simply claimed through endorsements.

Let’s talk about the actual record. For four years, SMRR has characterized my 2022 proposal as an attempt to destroy rent control. I have repeatedly disputed that portrayal. Yet this July, provisions advanced through our Rent Control Board and City Council raised serious legal concerns about tenancy succession and potential conflicts with California’s Costa-Hawkins law. Those concerns led to extraordinary meetings on July 27 and 28, including a joint meeting of the Council and Rent Control Board. The disputed provisions were ultimately withdrawn.

Officials SMRR has endorsed were involved in advancing those proposals. Where was the same outrage? Where were the report cards? Where were the mailers warning renters about those legal risks?

Good intentions don’t eliminate legal consequences. If SMRR-backed officials support policies that raise serious concerns, they deserve the same scrutiny as anyone else. Rent control requires responsible policy, sound legal judgment, and accountability, even when the people making mistakes are political allies.

And let’s talk about political money. SMRR’s recent email points to independent expenditures and contributions from landlords and aviation interests as reasons renters should distrust me. Those contributions deserve transparency. So do the contributions supporting your candidates, the independent committees backing them, and SMRR’s own political operation. Why is political influence treated as suspicious only when the money supports someone SMRR opposes?

I sought and received endorsements from our police officers and firefighters. Other independent committees have supported me without my seeking their endorsement. Independent political committees are not my candidate-controlled campaign. Their donors do not direct my votes or determine my positions. My responsibility is to the people of Santa Monica, not the donors of any political action committee. If we want transparency, let’s examine everyone’s money, voting record, and political relationships. Not just those of people we oppose.

This is what hurts the most. I’ve raised my children here, helped young people through music, operated a family business, and served the community that raised me. I’ve also survived cancer and lost my father. Those experiences haven’t made me less committed to working families. They’ve made me more committed. So when I see another glossy attack piece with my name on it, I don’t just see political advertising. I see an organization my family believed in telling my neighbors that I am unworthy of their trust. I see a lifetime of lived experience reduced to a political grade.

When did protecting renters become protecting political power? I am asking SMRR to look inward. Open your leadership to scrutiny. Welcome younger renters, immigrant families, working-class residents, and independent voices. Hold your preferred candidates to the same standards you demand of everyone else. There are seniors afraid of losing their homes, families struggling to pay rent, and tenants who need real assistance. That work deserves our attention.

To my fellow Santa Monicans: Please do your homework. Our Council meetings and voting records are public. Examine them and decide for yourself whether political advertising reflects what actually happened. Your vote belongs to you. Not SMRR. Not a PAC. Not a landlord. Not a labor organization. Not an elected official.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Send comments to editor@smdp.com*Tort wars*

Dan Walters' column skipped the 2026 tort-wars deal most likely to reach Santa Monica readers. To end dueling ballot measures from Uber and the Consumer Attorneys of California, Gov. Newsom signed SB 623 on June 25. It adds Civil Code section 3333.9, which covers claims against Uber, Lyft and other app-based ride and delivery companies, and their drivers, over crashes on or after Jan. 1, 2027.

If you make one of those claims and your doctor or clinic agreed to be paid from your settlement, called treating "on a lien," your recovery for those past medical bills is capped at the 70th percentile of billed charges for similar care in your area, using FAIR Health or a comparable database. A judge can allow more only for exceptionally rare or specialized care. The excess is void, and no one may collect it.

Before a first appointment, ask whether the care is being billed to your health insurance, Medi-Cal or Medicare, or to a lien. And if a lawyer working on contingency sends you to a clinic, ask whether he or an immediate family member owns part of it. In these cases, starting with 2027 crashes, that referral is unlawful.

Michael Shemtoub, Los Angeles

*A Surplus Isn't a Solution:
Why I Support Measure ES*

If you've been following Measure ES in these pages, you've heard that the school district is flush, that the cuts are exaggerated, and that this is a City tax in disguise. I'm a Santa Monica parent, a PTA volunteer, and a member of the SMMUSD Financial Oversight Committee. I've followed our school district's budget for more than eight years. I write for myself, not the committee.

Here is the fact that matters most: For more than 20 years, the City has paid our schools about \$12 million a year. That agreement ends in June 2027, and the City's own staff report says that if Measure ES fails, its plan is to stop paying.

The District ended last year ahead of Plan. A Good Year doesn't replace \$12 million a year.

Districts like ours close the year ahead of plan because they must budget conservatively; otherwise, they risk cutting programs and teachers mid-year. A good year is not a sign of extra money. Here is what its own budget reports show.

1. A good year doesn't change what happens when \$12 million stops coming every year. Last year's \$6.1 million surplus came largely from one-time money. It would cover about half of a single year's loss.

2. District spending is projected to exceed revenue in each of the next three years, by \$9 million to \$12 million a year.

3. Those projections still assume the City's \$12 million keeps coming. Take it out, and the three-year gap grows from about \$31 million to about \$55 million.

4. The reserves are already spoken for: covering those projected deficits, a two-month operating reserve that is still below the district's own policy, and the 3% reserve state law requires.

Why losing \$12 million hits so hard

SMMUSD is a Basic Aid district. It runs on local property taxes and local funding, not a predictable state formula, and about a quarter of its main operating revenue is tied to the City. The \$12 million alone is about 7% of that revenue, roughly the cost of retaining 73 teachers. This is not a hypothetical. The City's budget plan already assumes the payment ends. It is a scheduled loss of \$12 million a year, every year.

WHY MEASURE ES IS THE PRACTICAL ANSWER

Nobody wants another tax, and I don't take that lightly. But a No vote doesn't save \$12 million. It only decides who loses it: our classrooms or City services. Measure ES replaces a payment our schools have counted on for two decades with an alternate stable source. Under the measure's text, the money goes only to SMMUSD. It can't pay for administrator salaries or new buildings, and it requires an independent audit every year. Seniors who live in their homes are exempt, and most renters pay nothing.

It also gives the City room to steady its own budget without cutting services residents rely on.

Feelings about past surpluses and City spending are real. But the facts point one way. Whatever you think of how we got here, Measure ES gives our schools a stable funding source in uncertain times. That's why I'm voting yes.

Payal S Maniar, Santa Monica

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Casa del Mar and Shutters on the Beach Step Out for Breast Cancer Awareness



Michelle Edgar

CHARITY: In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Santa Monica's iconic Hotel Casa del Mar joined forces with sister property Shutters on the Beach to participate in the American Cancer Society's annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk on October 24 at the Santa Monica Pier. The hotels brought together a group of invited guests to walk in support of breast cancer awareness, partnering with luxury footwear brand APL to gift participants a pair of its limited-edition Breast Cancer Awareness sneakers. As part of APL's initiative, 20% of sales from the special-edition sneakers are donated to the Women's Cancer Research Fund, further supporting the fight against breast cancer. Following the walk, guests gathered at Casa del Mar's oceanfront restaurant, Terrazza, for a celebratory brunch. Extending its commitment throughout October, Terrazza at Hotel Casa del Mar is offering specialty pink-themed menu items in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. For every item ordered from the restaurant's "Perfectly Pink Breakfast" and "Think Pink" menus, the hotel will donate \$1 to Providence St. John's Breast Cancer Research. Highlights include a vibrant pitaya bowl, roasted beet and ricotta toast, and raspberry buttermilk waffle for breakfast, alongside the Casa Clover in Bloom cocktail and a Think Pink Sundae, giving guests a delicious way to support an important cause throughout the month.

Average gasoline prices in Los Angeles have fallen 10.8 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$6.06/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 2,135 stations in Los Angeles. Prices in Los Angeles are 33.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand \$1.48/g higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has increased 4.0 cents compared to a week ago and stands at \$6.340 per gallon. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Los Angeles was priced at \$5.29/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$7.39/g, a difference of \$2.10/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$4.74/g while the highest was \$9.79/g, a difference of \$5.05/g. The national average price of gasoline is unchanged in the last week, averaging \$4.24/g today. The national average is down 22.3 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands \$1.24/g higher than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

Where to vote, or drop your ballot

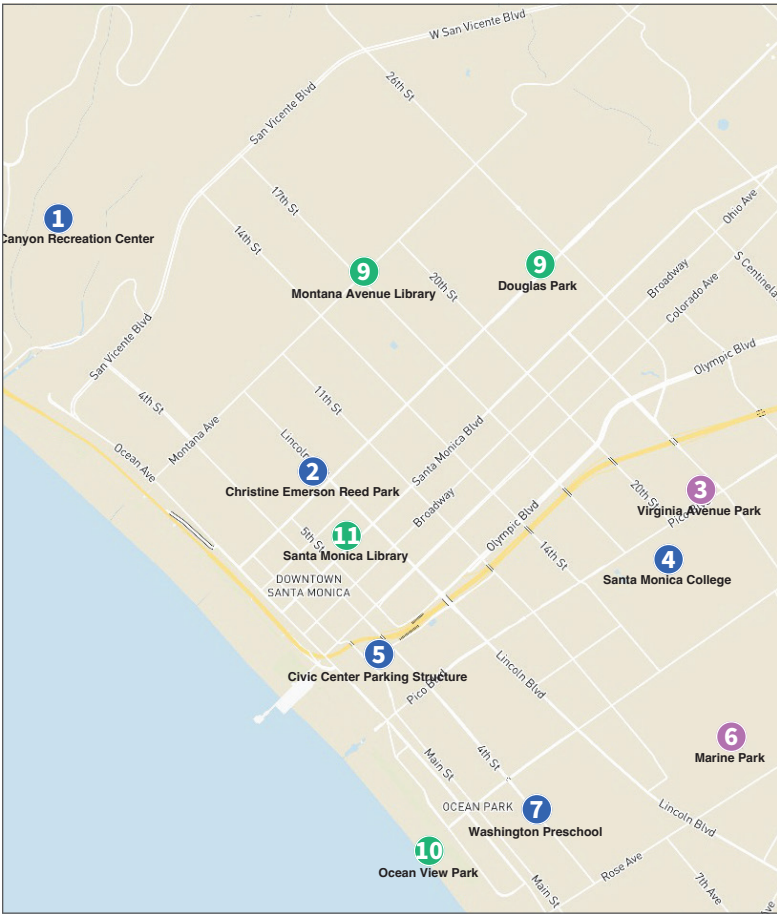
The General Election is Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2026. Every active registered voter in Los Angeles County gets a ballot in the mail by Oct. 5. Here is how to return it on time, plus a map of nearby vote centers and drop boxes.

KEY DATES

Oct. 5 Ballots mailed & drop boxes open	Oct. 19 Registration deadline (same-day registration at vote centers after)	Oct. 24 Select vote centers open	Oct. 27 Last safe day to mail your ballot	Oct. 31 All vote centers open	Nov. 3 Election Day 7 AM–8 PM
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HOW TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT

OPTION 1 By mail No stamp needed. Postmarked by Nov. 3 and received within 7 days, it counts. Mail by Oct. 27 to be safe	OPTION 2 Drop box Seal, sign & date your return envelope, then drop it at any official box. Open until 8:00 PM on Election Day. 400+ boxes countywide	OPTION 3 Vote center Vote in person, register, or return your ballot. Open 10 AM–7 PM daily, 7 AM–8 PM on Nov. 3. Select sites Oct. 24 · all Oct. 31
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Nearby locations to vote or drop your ballot

No.	Location	Address
1	Rustic Canyon Recreation Center	601 Latimer Rd
2	Christine Emerson Reed Park	1133 7th St
3	Virginia Avenue Park	2200 Virginia Ave
4	Santa Monica College	1900 Pico Blvd
5	Civic Center Parking Structure	330 Olympic Dr 2nd Floor Plaza Level
6	Marine Park	1406 Marine St
7	Washington Preschool	2802 4th St
8	Douglas Park	2439 Wilshire Blvd
9	Montana Avenue Library	1704 Montana Ave
10	Ocean View Park	2701 Barnard Way
11	Santa Monica Library	601 Santa Monica Blvd

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00406. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of Fernando Pineda, Jr. & Yasmin de Albuquerque Fernandes for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Fernando Pineda, Jr. & Yasmin de Albuquerque Fernandes filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Milan Fernando Fernandes-Pineda to Milan Fernando Pineda-Fernandes. 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: December 4, 2026, Time: 08:30am, 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: October 14, 2026. Lawrence Cho, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 10/21/26, 10/28/26, 11/04/26, 11/11/26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026227340. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ZOELSON MOTORS, 10715 MAGNOLIA BLVD, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 91601, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): ZOELSON MOTORS LLC, 2108 N ST STE N, SACRAMENTO, CA 95816. 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 N/A. 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/ LESLIE HIDVEGI, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/27/2026. 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: 10/28/2026, 11/04/2026, 11/12/2026, 11/19/2026

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026222545. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BACKLINE PROPERTY SERVICES, 5850 W THIRD ST, #162, LOS ANGELES, CA 90036, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): MJD CONSTRUCTION GROUP, a Corporation, 12700 OTSEGO ST, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 91607. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. 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/ DOVID HIRSCH, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/20/2026. 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: 10/28/2026, 11/04/2026, 11/12/2026, 11/19/2026

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Santa Monica

Santa Monica awards \$5,000 microgrants to 20 local small businesses

The city of Santa Monica announced Wednesday that 20 local businesses will receive \$5,000 each through its new Small Business Relief Microgrant program.

The city’s Economic Development Team launched the program in early September as part of Realignment Plan efforts to invest in commercial corridors and promote economic opportunity. The program aims to support locally owned businesses, strengthen long-term business sustainability and encourage growth and expansion. Brick-and-mortar businesses in Santa Monica with fewer than 50 employees and less than \$3 million in annual gross revenue were eligible.

The city received 129 applications. The team evaluated them anonymously, basing selections on each application’s comprehensiveness and responsiveness, including whether applicants detailed how they would spend the funds. Legacy-owned and veteran-owned businesses received additional consideration.

The recipients are:

Dining, cafes and treats

Bun And Mi, 1004 Montana Ave.

Cookie Good, 448 Wilshire Blvd.

Espresso Cielo, 1431 Second St. #C

Fia Restaurant, 2454 Wilshire Blvd.

La Diperie, 2441 Main St.

Odd One Out Tea, 1260 Third Street Promenade

Papille Gustative, 2823 Main St.

Pontu, 3117 Ocean Park Blvd.

Mr. Charlie’s, 262 26th St.

Upper West Restaurant, 3321 Pico Blvd.

Shopping and services

Bubble Beach Laundry, 633 Main St.

Classic Tile & Flooring Inc., 928 Santa Monica Blvd.

McCabe’s Guitar Shop, 3101 Pico Blvd.

Sand ‘n Surf, 131 Broadway

Sir Speedy, 2632 Santa Monica Blvd.

Entertainment, activities and wellness

Clay Café, 620 Wilshire Blvd.

Crow Comedy, 2525 Michigan Ave., Unit F4

Phoenix Classical Pilates, 2412 Wilshire Blvd.

Ten Women II, 1128 Montana Ave.

THE Cube VR Immersive Park, 1248 Third Street Promenade

Funds may be used for website or software upgrades, equipment repairs, website hosting, workflow, scheduling, and marketing and advertising fees; free-standing furniture, fixtures and equipment such as computers, point-of-sale devices, printers, chairs and tables; inventory and operating supplies; professional services including bookkeeping, accounting, legal or business planning assistance; and business-continuity or emergency-preparedness expenses such as backup power, emergency supplies, data backup, cybersecurity or disaster recovery services.

Recipients may also join Buy Local Santa Monica, a free citywide marketing campaign, and be profiled in a Small Business Spotlight showing how the funds benefited their business.

The city will provide three-month and annual updates on how the microgrants have affected the 20 businesses. More information is available at santamonica.gov/programs/small-business-relief-microgrant.

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LA Country

Horvath, Barger propose dedicated chaplain for LA County mental health department

Los Angeles County Supervisors Lindsey P. Horvath and Kathryn Barger have introduced a motion to create the first dedicated interfaith chaplain position in the county Department of Mental Health.

The position is intended to strengthen connections between mental health services, faith-based organizations and community providers serving people experiencing homelessness and other vulnerable populations.

“If we are ever to meaningfully address the mental health crises facing our communities, LA County must invest in and connect with the sources of strength that help people heal,” Horvath said. “Faith leaders are often trusted voices for people who face barriers to accessing care. The goal is to connect more people to the support they need while respecting every individual’s beliefs and needs.”

The chaplain would help bridge gaps between trusted faith communities and mental health services, particularly for people experiencing homelessness who face barriers to accessing care. The motion also establishes a voluntary faith-based subcommittee to strengthen outreach, connect residents to services and coordinate existing community efforts. All spiritual support would be voluntary and inclusive of diverse beliefs and backgrounds.

“Healing doesn’t happen in a vacuum,” Barger said. “For many people, faith is part of it. By bringing a Chaplain into the Department of Mental Health, we’re meeting people where they are and partnering with the faith communities already serving them.”

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GET IT DAILY..

Agnes

By TONY COCHRAN

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

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Where to next?

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Austria	Greece	Malta	Reno
Backpack	Haiti	Maps	Rome
Bali	Hong Kong	Monaco	Samoa
Burma	India	Nepal	Snow
Cairo	Kenya	Nice	Spain
Chicago	Kuta	Niger	Suitcase
Crete	Languages	Noumea	Timor
Cuba	Laos	Oamaru	Togo
Cusco	Libya	Oman	Trek
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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S WORDS PUZZLE.
Making music together



TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct.28)

In your Year of Vitality, good things spring from your attention to heath and a commitment to energizing practice. Special people inspire you to be your strongest self - some of them need you, and others motivate you to go next-level. More highlights: Skillful political maneuvering, making things right for people, thrilling games and challenges, and love bonded in daily fun. Virgo and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 40, 33, 28 and 5.



HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Unexpected feelings come up. Give yourself a beat to process. Even if you feel the first reaction with full force, you get to choose the official response. The power move is to say something that represents you well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Isn't it weird when people enter unfamiliar territory and act like they already know the rules? Not you. You respect people by assuming they have something to teach you. You ask how things work and you study the answer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You have plenty to say, though not a strong drive to say it all, and this puts you in the very best position. Better to spend time with your thoughts and perhaps put them into writing with plans to keep these first drafts to yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Obviously, you build credibility every time you do what you said you would do. Through a series of very ordinary choices that include promptness and consideration, you will earn trust with new people.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You can survive a correction, an awkward pause or 20 minutes outside the center of the action. Today gives you the chance to discover how much discomfort you can tolerate and how little of it requires a response.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You can receive a correction without turning it into a referendum on your abilities. Take the useful information and fix the thing. You will impress people with how fast you recover, and you'll improve with each adjustment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You can let other people have the floor, and in fact you shine from the support position. People see you as confident because you don't feel like you have to keep talking. You've released yourself from the job of proving anything.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are welcome in other cultures - and in a way, every group has their own culture. You learn how people communicate and what they value. They are honored by your non-invasive curiosity. You already feel the love here.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There are reasons to be choosy about what you share and do for people. It's not just about trust, history or a need-to-know approach. It's also about entertainment and attraction. Mystery works for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You will walk into unfamiliar situations with greater confidence because you prepared for the basics, double-checked the logistics, accounted for travel time, parking, weather and more. Most importantly, brush up on people's names.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The person you hope to become has habits you can borrow. Ask how that version of you would handle this meeting, invitation or problem. Make one choice from that perspective. You will grow into the role through repetition.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You can admit when you feel out of your league and still remain in the game. Watch, learn and participate at the level you can manage today. You will gain experience each time you resist the urge to retreat.

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

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Newsday Crossword

GIVE AND TAKE by Greg Johnson
Edited by Stanley Newman
www.stanxwords.com

ACROSS

- 1 Harvest, as vegetables
- 5 "Don't panic"
- 11 Young fellow
- 14 Seep
- 15 Group of guy graduates
- 16 Make an inquiry
- 17 Chitchat about the past
- 19 Diarist Anaïs
- 20 The third planet
- 21 Parrots and poodles
- 22 Salutation in Sydney
- 23 Hosp. professionals
- 24 Mine extraction
- 26 Golf pro Ernie
- 27 Fight verbally
- 33 6+-mile race, for short
- 34 Like Clark Kent's parents
- 35 French gal pal
- 37 Incite
- 39 Pizza crust, e.g.
- 40 Before the first witness
- 42 Funnel shape
- 44 Make altar promises
- 46 Furniture supporter
- 47 Former UK record label
- 48 Fiscal exec.
- 51 Little hopper
- 53 Whitish gem
- 56 Parachute material
- 58 Treasury Dept. agency
- 59 Make a sudden change
- 61 Gusto

- 62 All-inclusive
- 63 A Gospel writer
- 64 Distress signal
- 65 Actor Kutcher
- 66 Whisper for attention

DOWN

- 1 Tricky puzzle
- 2 Person from Dubuque
- 3 Industry kingpins
- 4 Held onto
- 5 Winged mammal
- 6 Wed on the run
- 7 Restore to health
- 8 Leave out
- 9 Small bills
- 10 ___ for Lawless (Grafton book)

- 11 Electoral rout
- 12 Where Israel is
- 13 Big Apple-based fashion brand
- 18 Clipped, as sheep
- 22 Wheat proteins
- 25 Gather abundantly
- 26 Mentalist's claim, for short
- 27 Grew new molars
- 28 Bird of prey
- 29 Altar affirmation
- 30 Sarge, for one
- 31 Rating for family programming
- 32 "Understand?"
- 33 Menswear accessories
- 35 Big galoot

- 36 Man of mystery
- 38 Quip
- 41 Repurposed T-shirt, perhaps
- 43 In the red
- 45 Shoelace substitute
- 48 Addressee on many December letters
- 49 Road branches
- 50 Beginning
- 51 Clues in, with "off"
- 52 Creme-filled treat
- 53 Has bought
- 54 Essential part
- 55 Keep ___ (persist)
- 57 Restaurant review app
- 59 Whale's habitat
- 60 Coop cackler

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ART

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installation is in the permanent collection of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, said in an email to the museum that Los Angeles artists were somewhat removed from the “European cultural baggage” of the East Coast.

“I think our assemblage art reflects a post war culture of surplus parts, the fantasy factory of Hollywood and a grittier take on art, more palatable to working class makers and their audience,” he said.

Michael C. McMillen grew up in Santa Monica and lived in the city for the better part of 60 years. Asked what it meant to show his work there, he turned the question around: “What does it mean to Santa Monica to show my work?”

For D’Elia, the region’s assemblage history is personal. Kienholz encouraged him to make art, and D’Elia knew Kienholz’s son, Noah. The two sometimes hunted for materials the elder artist needed to finish a piece.

“That could mean looking for something as particular as a taxidermy squirrel,” D’Elia said. “Not everyone’s idea of a shopping trip.”

He said he works in Kienholz’s tradition, starting with an idea and then finding the objects to express it, rather than beginning with an intriguing object and discovering its subject.

“An object may be fascinating in its own right, but it has to earn its place in the work,” he said.

Some of those objects tie back to his father’s trade. His father was a master patternmaker who crafted the wooden patterns used in foundry casting. Those patterns were lost when D’Elia was a young boy; the ones he sometimes builds into his work are pieces he

finds online and through collectors.

“They aren’t objects my father made, but they connect me to his skill and his working life,” he said.

D’Elia retired after 32 years as a clinical neuropsychologist. He said that career still shapes his art, which deals with identity, vulnerability, power and subjects people find hard to acknowledge. He often uses visual puns or punning titles to draw viewers in.

“A laugh can make someone willing to approach a subject they might otherwise walk past,” he said. “Sometimes the humor is a little blue. I’m comfortable with that.”

Michael C. McMillen described a lifelong habit of collecting. As a child, he was drawn to discarded electronics and mechanical devices that could be taken apart, their parts inspiring new combinations. He said his work is, in some ways, “a tribute to the people who have made things with their hands, dreams and problem solving ideas.”

“As an artist I am engaged in the human compulsion to create something that has not existed before,” he said.

D’Elia said he hopes his work gives his neighbors something to think and talk about.

“At 75, I’m certainly pleased to be included, but I haven’t retired from asking uncomfortable questions,” he said.

The California Heritage Museum is at 2612 Main St., in the 1894 Roy Jones House, a city landmark. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday; the museum is closed Mondays and Tuesdays. Admission is free on Fridays and always free for military members and their families and for children under 12.

For more information, visit californiaheritagemuseum.org.

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TECH WEEK

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industries that will support local economic growth.

The concentration of technology programming across Santa Monica and Venice illustrates how the Westside’s established creative and entrepreneurial communities are becoming increasingly connected to the

next generation of artificial intelligence and venture-backed businesses. LA Tech Week concluded Sunday, but the larger question for Santa Monica is how to turn a week of connections into lasting economic opportunity.

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date could contest the issue, and it could be years before their cases are settled.

Gilbert Hyatt, an inventor, moved from Southern California to Nevada before receiving royalty payments for one of his devices in the early 1990s. The Franchise Tax Board dinged him for income taxes in 1993, he resisted, and the case is still not completely settled after litigation in

California, Nevada and federal courts that has gone as far as the U.S. Supreme Court.

By Dan Walters. Dan Walters is one of the most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state’s political, economic, social and demographic trends. This article was originally published on CalMatters and was republished under the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivatives license.

ownership of someone’s vote.

To SMRR, I say this with sadness, but also hope: You helped build something important in Santa Monica. Please don’t confuse protecting that legacy with protecting political control. The families who built this city deserve better. And so do the generations who will come after us.

Lana Negrete, Santa Monica City Councilmember, Lifelong Santa Monican, renter, mother, and small business owner

GUEST COMMENTARY

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I will continue standing up for renters and working families, even when it costs me an endorsement, brings another attack mailer, or would be easier to stay quiet. I did not survive everything life has put in front of me to be intimidated into silence by local political power. I am proud of where I come from. Proud to be a renter. And I will not apologize for having my own voice. Renters are not pawns. Voters are not puppets. And endorsements are not



WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 28

MOBILE COMMUNITY MEDITATION CENTER - GUIDED MEDITATION

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Santa Monica Beach lot 5 South 2701 Bernard Way Santa Monica, CA. A guided 45-minute mindfulness meditation on the beach, open to all levels. Bring your own chair or cushion and arrive a few minutes early. Suggested donation \$10-\$20. Please join Mobile Community Meditation Center aka Buddhist Boondockers Wednesdays and Fridays at 10 am for a 45 minute fully guided mindfulness meditation - on the grass, under the shade of the trees, with a view of the sparkling ocean. (Tuesday and Thursday offered via zoom). Whether you’re new to meditation or a seasoned practitioner, everyone is welcomed. Bring your own chair or cushion and try to arrive 5 minutes early. Be prepared to enjoy a truly peaceful moment as we relax, be present and make new friends; giving ourselves the love and attention we deserve by quieting our minds, finding peace and creating community. \$10.00 to \$20.00— Suggested donation. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/mobile-community-meditation-center-guided-meditation/19479748/2026-10-28T10>

SUNSHINE SOCIAL SERIES

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Third Street Promenade 1212 Santa Monica Santa Monica, CA. A twice-weekly outdoor picnic with farmers market shopping, fresh ceviche, and a pop-up spritz bar for 21+. A relaxed way to stretch the summer season. Summer may be winding down, but in Santa Monica, sunshine, ocean breezes, and long afternoons are always in season. Every Wednesday and Saturday, join Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. for Summer Social, a twice-weekly pop-up picnic on Third Street Promenade. Browse the iconic Farmers Market and fill your bag with fresh fruit, artisan breads, pastries, cheese, flowers, and everything you need for a picnic. Then, head to the Promenade, grab a seat at one of our outdoor community tables, and stay awhile. Hermanito will be serving up fresh ceviche. Adults 21 and older can also enjoy refreshing cocktails from Hermanito’s pop-up spritz bar as part of the Entertainment Zone. Gather your friends and family, find a table on the Promenade, take a sip and a bite, and make the season last a little longer. Summer never really ends in Santa Monica. The first 100 guests each Wednesday and Saturday will receive a complimentary Third Street Promenade French market tote and custom picnic tablecloth. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/sunshine-social-series/19902349/2026-10-28T10>

MIDDAY YOGA ON WEDNESDAYS

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Palisades Community Renewal Center 3212 Nebraska Ave Santa Monica, CA +1 310-744-1310. A free community yoga session created with care for those affected by the Palisades Fire. A welcoming midday practice to support healing, relaxation, and connection. Free Community Yoga created with care for those impacted by the Palisades Fire. In case this event has been updated, please visit <https://www.pccrscm.org/event/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays-5aba1> for full details before arriving. Thank you! Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays/19633922/2026-10-28T13>

5TH ANNUAL VOLLEY-WEEN BEACH BBQ MIXER

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Perry’s Cafe and Beach Rentals 2427 Main Street Santa Monica, CA. A beach volleyball fundraiser for local nonprofits, open to all ages and skill levels, with food, a drink ticket, and a costume contest. Volley-Ween is an annual fundraising event that raises money for local nonprofits that support human services during the holidays. Past recipients include Westside Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, West Coast Care and The People Concern to name a few. The tournament is open to all ages and all skill levels are welcome. Spectators and non-players may also attend. This is a family-friendly event. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/5th-annual-volley-ween-beach-bbq-mixer/20197888/2026-10-28T15>

WESTERN WEDNESDAY: HALLOWEEN EDITION

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Santa Monica Place 395 Santa Monica Pl Santa Monica, CA. A spooky twist on a weekly country line-dancing night, with costume contest, pro-led lessons, and happy hour specials. October 28th, 6pm-8pm | Center Plaza, Level 1 Western Wednesday is getting a spooky twist this October, so dust off your costume! Show up in your spookiest look on 10/28 for a chance to win a \$50 Tenshoppe gift card. Grab your boots, round up your ghoulish friends, and learn to line dance at our free weekly dose of country on the coast. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/western-wednesday-halloween-edition/20179746/2026-10-28T18>

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS FILM SCREENING & DISCUSSION

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Ocean Park Branch Celebrate Halloween with a screening of this 1960 horror comedy classic and discussion with Beverly Gray, author of Roger Corman: Blood-Sucking Vampires, Flesh-Eating Cockroaches, and Driller Killers.

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 29

HALLOWEEN MOVIE SHOWING

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Room 192 SMC Library, SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica, CA. A Halloween-themed movie screening, perfect for getting into the spooky spirit. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/halloween-movie-showing/19761730/2026-10-29T11>

CARMELINA PICKLEBALL

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. 1231 3rd street/Promenade 1231 3rd street/Promenade Santa Monica, CA 585-448-2005. Group pickleball lessons with a USTPA coach covering grip, serving, volleys, and game control, for live-level players. Vessy Jivkova — USTAP association coach, 76, leads group pickleball lessons for lived level players. \$20.00 to \$45.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/carmelina-pickleball/20146726/2026-10-29T12>

COMPUTER PRACTICE: OPEN LAB

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Main Library, Computer Classroom. Build computer skills at your own pace through guided online lessons. Support is available if needed.

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