

### **311 32nd Annual Simon Rodia Watts Towers Jazz Festival**

The City's first Jazz festival features performances from both established and emerging musicians from the area. The festival pays tribute to the roots of Jazz in Gospel and Blues, and takes it to the Avant Garde and the Latin Jazz scene. Ongoing tours of the Watts Towers are available.

WHEN: **September 28, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Watts Towers Art Center Amphitheater, 1727 E. 107th St., Watts  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs and Watts Towers Arts Center  
INFO: 213-847-4646, [www.wattstowers.net](http://www.wattstowers.net)

## **OCTOBER**

### **312 Latino American Heritage Month Celebrations**

Latino Heritage Month is a citywide commemoration of Latino history, heritage, and tradition in Los Angeles. The celebration will acknowledge Latino contributions in the areas of education, religion, the arts, culture, and the humanities. Events include: community gatherings, educational programs, gallery exhibits, and several music, theater, and dance performances.

WHEN: **Through October**  
SITE: Various sites throughout Los Angeles  
COST: Varies  
SPONSORS: The City of Los Angeles, Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa  
INFO: 213-202-5500, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

### **313 Ford Amphitheatre 2008 Summer Season**

This season the historic Ford Amphitheatre presents more than one hundred jazz, world music, dance, theater, film, choral events, and family shows in a 1,200-seat outdoor amphitheatre. Food and beverages are available for purchase on site.

WHEN: **Through October, Time varies by performance**  
SITE: Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 E. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood  
COST: Prices vary, call for information.  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles County Arts Commission  
INFO: 323-461-3673, [www.fordamphitheatre.org](http://www.fordamphitheatre.org)

### **314 Theatricum Botanicum 2008 Summer Repertory Season**

Join the annual summer season of Shakespeare and the classics set in a rustic, outdoor amphitheatre located in a natural canyon ravine. Picnickers are welcome.

WHEN: **Through October, Various times, please call for schedule**  
SITE: Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum, 1419 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd., Topanga  
COST: Adults \$8 - \$25, Children 5 and under free  
SPONSOR: Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum  
INFO: 310-455-3723, [www.theatricum.com](http://www.theatricum.com)

### **315 Brewery Artwalk / Open Studio Day**

A bi-annual open studio weekend at the world's largest art colony.

WHEN: **October To Be Announced, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Brewery Art Colony, 2100 N. Main St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Brewery Artwalk Association  
INFO: 323-342-0717, [www.breweryartwalk.com](http://www.breweryartwalk.com)

### **316 Los Angeles Comedy Festival**

This is a bi-annual comedy festival that spans 17 days and features 40 shows. It's the place for all things funny: stand-ups, sketch comedies, improv, and music comedy.

WHEN: **October To Be Announced**  
SITE: To Be Announced  
COST: \$12  
SPONSOR: LA Weekly, Rooftop Comedy & The Onion  
INFO: 323-463-2942, [www.lacomedyfest.com](http://www.lacomedyfest.com)

### **317 The Accesible City Expo: Community Resources and Employment Fair**

Join us for the annual community resources and employment fair, in celebration of the National Disability Employment Awareness Month. This is the only conference of its kind in Southern California that brings together potential employers, employment services and agencies, information/resource organizations, government agencies, and assistive technology for the disability community and underemployed.

WHEN: **October To Be Announced, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Los Angeles Convention Center, 1201 S. Figueroa St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department on Disability  
INFO: 213-485-6334, [www.lacity.org/dod](http://www.lacity.org/dod)

### **318 Valley Artists Studio Tour**

Tour the studios of fifty San Fernando Valley fine artists. Meet the artists and get an inside look at their studios and current work. Proceeds from the tour will fund music and education projects.

WHEN: **October To Be Announced, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Throughout the San Fernando Valley  
COST: \$20 General, Children Free  
SPONSOR: San Fernando Valley Arts Council  
INFO: 818-572-3150, [www.sfvartscouncil.com](http://www.sfvartscouncil.com)

### **319 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

WHEN: **October 2, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

### **320 TarFest**

For four days and nights in the fall, the annual TarFest transforms the historic Miracle Mile corridor into a community open house. The staging of TarFest is accomplished with the collaborative spirit and efforts of local merchants, cultural institutions, and residents from the area. The Miracle Mile's theatres, galleries, museums, and outdoor spaces are filled with quality independent films, emerging musical performers, and visual artists.

WHEN: **October 3 – 6, Various times**  
SITE: La Brea Tar Pits, Korean Cultural Center, and Miracle Mile Corridor, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Miracle Mile Players, Inc.  
INFO: 323-634-4919, [www.tarfest.com](http://www.tarfest.com)

### **321 Southeast Asia Day**

The Aquarium of the Pacific will celebrate its fourth annual Southeast Asia Day. The day's program will include components from Cambodian, Thai, and Vietnamese cultures. Guests will enjoy live performances, including music, dance, and cultural craft demonstrations.

WHEN: **October 4, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

SITE: Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach

COST: Free with Aquarium Admission. Admission Cost: \$20.95 Adults, \$17.95 Seniors, \$11.95 Children (3 - 11), Free children under 3 and Aquarium members

SPONSOR: Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach

INFO: 562-591-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)



Aquarium of the Pacific

### **322 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

WHEN: **October 4, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

SITE: Los Angeles Chinatown

COST: \$20

SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District

INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

### **323 31st Annual Oktoberfest**

This celebration is an authentic German Oktoberfest with rides, games, and oompah bands. The event also features authentic German food and beer, and contests for children and adults in Bavarian costume and best-dressed dogs.

WHEN: **October 4, 12:00 noon – 11:00 p.m.**

SITE: 2300 and 2400 blocks of Honolulu Ave., Montrose

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce

INFO: 818-249-7171, [www.montrosechamb.org](http://www.montrosechamb.org)

### **324 34th Annual Feria de Los Niños / Celebration of the Children**

Celebrating the wonder of youth, this event offers families a festive atmosphere with exciting activities featuring boat rides on the lake in vessels decorated with flowers, tortilla making contests, an inflatable obstacle course, plenty of ethnic food and entertainment highlighted by children. There will be plenty of ethnic food, an outdoor amphitheatre and dance pavilion highlighting such popular Latin music as salsa and merengue, and more.

WHEN: **October 4 & 5, Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sunday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

SITE: Hollenbeck Park, 415 South St. Louis St., Los Angeles

COST: Free

SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

INFO: 1-888-LA PARKS (527-2757), [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **325 Los Angeles Lithuanian Fair**

This event features Lithuanian arts and crafts, folk dancing and singing, traditional food and drinks, and special activities for children. Learn the fine art of egg dyeing taught by our own "eggsperts." Everyone is welcome.

WHEN: **October 4 & 5, Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Sunday 11:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

SITE: 2718 Saint George St., Los Angeles

COST: \$8 Adults, \$6 Seniors, Children under 12, free

SPONSOR: The Lithuanian American Community

INFO: 818-701-7977, [www.lithuanianfair.com](http://www.lithuanianfair.com)

### **326 West Hills Fall Fest**

Enjoy live entertainment, taste a variety of international dishes, and meet local businesses as they showcase their services. The festival also includes games, information booths, and more.

WHEN: **October 5, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: West Hills Center, Saticoy and Wooklake, West Hills  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Canoga Park West Hills Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-884-4222, [www.cpwchamber.org](http://www.cpwchamber.org)

### **327 6th Los Angeles Hispanic Heritage Festival**

A celebration of the rich cultural diversity of Latin America and Spain with the presentation of folkloric groups, performers, artisans, painters, and raffles.

WHEN: **October 5, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: MacArthur Park, Wilshire Blvd & 7th St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Cervantes Center of Arts & Letters  
INFO: 310-695-6357, [www.cervantescenter.org](http://www.cervantescenter.org)

### **328 Los Angeles Latino International Film Festival (LALIFF)**

This is one of the most prominent Latino international film festival in the U.S. LALIFF promotes the richness and diversity of Latin cinema by showcasing films from the United States, Latin America, Caribbean, Spain, and Portugal.

WHEN: **October 7 through 13, call for schedule**  
SITE: Arc Light Cinemas, 6360 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood  
COST: \$10 General  
SPONSOR: LALIFF  
INFO: 323-469-9066, [www.latinofilm.org](http://www.latinofilm.org)

### **329 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, which includes commercial art galleries, public museums, non-profit spaces, and grassroots arts venues.

WHEN: **October 9, 12:00 noon – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: 213-842-8574, [www.downtownartwalk.com](http://www.downtownartwalk.com)

### **330 Unity Fest**

This annual cultural festival celebrates the prominent cultural groups in Glendale. The event includes Latin American, Middle Eastern, Asian, European, Native American, and Pan African Villages, each selling traditional foods and goods with cultural performances and demonstrations of traditional arts and crafts.



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WHEN: **October 11, 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Verdugo Park, 1621 Canada Blvd., City of Glendale  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Glendale  
INFO: 818-548-2780, [www.ci.glendale.ca.us](http://www.ci.glendale.ca.us)

### **331 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art from 6:00 p.m. on into the evening.

WHEN: **October 11, 5:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.**  
SITE: Garey Park, 2nd & 3rd, Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

### **332 Latino Book and Family Festival**

This family-oriented event promotes literacy in the Latino community. The festival features authors, book signings, readings, exhibitors, kids booths, entertainment, and ethnic food.

WHEN: **October 11 & 12, Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Arc Light Theater, Sunset & Vine, Hollywood  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Latino Literacy Now  
INFO: 760-434-4484, [www.lbff.us](http://www.lbff.us)

### **333 World Festival of Sacred Music- Los Angeles**

This is LA's largest citywide festival featuring forty events of music and dance. Festival events will present the works of more than 1,500 local and international artists from traditions from around the world in forty diverse venues all across the city.

WHEN: **October 11 through 26, Various times**  
SITE: 40 venues all across Los Angeles  
COST: Mostly Free  
SPONSOR: Foundation for World Arts, UCLA Center for Intercultural Performance & EarthWays Foundation  
INFO: 310-825-0507, [www.festivalofsacredmusic.org](http://www.festivalofsacredmusic.org)

### **334 A Taste of Folk Music**

A free folk music, dance, and storytelling festival held in conjunction with the Taste of Encino street fair. Over 150 food booths covering four blocks on Ventura Boulevard feature ethnic foods, health foods, and children's cuisine.

WHEN: **October 12, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Encino Park on Ventura Boulevard, Encino  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: California Traditional Music Society  
INFO: 818-817-7756, [www.ctmsfolkmusic.org](http://www.ctmsfolkmusic.org)

### **335 Taste of Encino**

This free folk music festival features over 150 food booths covering four blocks on Ventura Boulevard. The event also includes ethnic foods, health foods, and children's cuisine.

WHEN: **October 12, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Ventura Blvd., between Balboa Blvd. and Amestoy, Encino  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Encino Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-879-4711, [www.encinochamber.org](http://www.encinochamber.org)

### **336 Los Angeles/Valley Pride: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Awareness Festival**

This is an all-community celebration on the back lot of CBS Studio Center, with the festival venues situated between the soundstages and outdoor sets. The emphasis of the event is awareness and civic pride.



**WHEN:** **October 12, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** CBS Studio Center, 4024 Radford Ave., Studio City

**COST:** \$10 General Admission, \$7 Seniors and Teenagers, Kinds 12 and under Free

**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Valley Pride

**INFO:** [www.lavalleypride.org](http://www.lavalleypride.org)

### **337 Junta Hispana Celebration**

This is a family-oriented Hispanic Heritage Month celebration of the cultures, traditions, heritage, food, dance, music, art, customs, and people of 20 Spanish-speaking countries, primarily Central and South America. The uniqueness and beauty of each nation is highlighted through a variety of activities that focus on honor, family, and pride.

**WHEN:** **October 12, 11:00 noon – 7:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** Lincoln Park, 3501 Valley Blvd., Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

**INFO:** 1-888-LA PARKS (527-2757), [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **338 12th Annual Van Nuys Health Fair & Family Festival**

This family-oriented event features free medical services and information, as well as a fun family festival including rides, food and entertainment. All activities are in Spanish and English.

**WHEN:** **October 18, 10:00 – 2:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** 14702 Sylvan St., Van Nuys

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Children's Community School

**INFO:** 818-780-6226, [www.ccsteaches.com](http://www.ccsteaches.com)

### **339 Kids Day L.A.**

A free family festival dedicated to the children of Los Angeles that mixes fun attractions with practical advice and resources for parents and other caregivers. There will be sports clinics, entertainment featuring children, arts and crafts, a wall climbing apparatus, food booths, and more.

**WHEN:** **October 18, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** Expo Center, 3980 S. Menlo Ave., Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks

**INFO:** 1-888-LA PARKS (527-2757), [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **340 Clyde Porter Arts Day – Festival del Artista**

This is a celebration of the arts and culture in the Valley. This free family street festival includes street performers, fine art exhibits, chalk artists, children's games, dive entertainment, food, and refreshments.

**WHEN:** **October 18, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** Owsenmouth Ave. between Sherman Way and Wyandotte St.

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Clyde Porter's West Valley Playhouse

**INFO:** 818-884-1907, [www.whctheatre.com](http://www.whctheatre.com)

### **341 Annual Autumn Sea Fair**

Celebrate the bounty of the sea with games, beach olympics, live music, marine-related exhibits, a fireboat display, arts and crafts, and more. There will also be sand sculptures, a chance to hunt for buried treasure, pirates, and a Queen of the Sea contest. Guests are welcome to bring a picnic.

WHEN: **October 19, 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 3720 M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 1- 888-LA PARKS (527-2757), [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **342 Boo at the Zoo**

Treetops Terrace and other areas are transformed into a trick-or-treater's dream with fun and silly performers, lots of treats, and other surprises. Special crafts and the creepy creature encounter make for a fun-filled, but not-so-scary weekend for kids of all ages.

WHEN: **October 25 & 26, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Los Angeles Zoo & Botanical Gardens, 5333 Zoo Dr., Los Angeles  
COST: Free with paid admission, \$10 Adults, \$5 Children (2-12)  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles Zoo  
INFO: 323-644-4200, [www.lazoo.org](http://www.lazoo.org)

### **343 Halloween Haunted House Tour**

The Grier Musser Museum will celebrate Halloween with children's readings, ghosts, goblins, and witches. The entire museum will be decorated for this Halloween party. The special day includes guided tours and refreshments.

WHEN: **October 26, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Grier Musser Museum, 403 S. Bonnie Brae St., Los Angeles  
COST: \$12 Adults, \$6 Children  
SPONSOR: Grier Musser Museum  
INFO: 213-413-1814, [www.griermussermuseum.com](http://www.griermussermuseum.com)

### **344 "3-D" Hall of Horrors Haunted House**

Take a tour of the most haunted house in Diamond Bar! Screams and thrills await you around every corner in themed rooms. Recommended ages are 8 years old and over.

WHEN: **October 30 & 31, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Heritage Park Community Center, 2900 S. Brea Cyn. Rd., Diamond Bar  
COST: \$5  
SPONSOR: City of Diamond Bar  
INFO: 909-839-7070, [www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com)

### **345 7th Annual FITLA International Latino Theatre Festival of Los Angeles**

This festival is a showcase for Latino Theater in the United States and abroad, giving the opportunity for playwrights, directors, and actors who represent the vast spectrum of Latino cultures to exhibit and compare their works. Ongoing series of forums and workshops are available.

WHEN: **October 30 through November 16, Thursdays through Saturdays 8:00 p.m., Sundays 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 Cahuenga Blvd, Hollywood; Los Angeles & The Getty Villa  
COST: \$20 - \$15  
SPONSOR: FITLA  
INFO: 323-960-5132, [www.fitla.org](http://www.fitla.org)



### **346 City of Diamond Bar's Fall Fun Festival**

A fun and safe alternative to trick-or-treating featuring games, prizes, and candy! Recommended ages are 2 to 8 years old. Be sure to wear your costume!

WHEN: **October 31, 4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Heritage Park, 2900 S. Brea Cyn. Rd., Diamond Bar  
COST: \$5  
SPONSOR: City of Diamond Bar  
INFO: 909-839-7070, [www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com)

### **347 West Hollywood Halloween Carnival**

The much-anticipated West Hollywood Costume Carnival takes place annually along Santa Monica Boulevard in West Hollywood. From divas to drag queens to Dracula, more than 400,000 people participate in one of the world's largest colorful Mardi Gras-style street celebrations. It's truly the place to see and be seen as Halloween revelers show-off their creative flair by strolling the beautiful boulevard in original and outrageous costumes.

WHEN: **October 31, 6:00 p.m. until the ghouls go away**  
SITE: Santa Monica Blvd. between La Cienega and Doheny Dr., West Hollywood  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood  
INFO: 323-848-6400, [www.visitwesthollywood.com](http://www.visitwesthollywood.com)

### **348 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **October 31, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$15 presale, \$25 at the door  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

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SPONSOR: FITLA  
INFO: 323-960-5132, [www.fitla.org](http://www.fitla.org)

### **350 Montrose Art Walk & Sale 2008**

Fine artists display, demonstrate, and sell their work along the tree-lined sidewalk of the Montrose Shopping Park.

WHEN: **November 1, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: 2300 and 2400 blocks of Honolulu Ave., Montrose  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Montrose-Verdugo City Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-249-7171, [www.montrosechamber.org](http://www.montrosechamber.org)