Things to do – online – in the LA area, May 28–June 4

Adopt a pet friend and explore the arts and museum programs online

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Have fun discovering new entertainments online, May 28-June 4.
EVENTS

Find Love Online – Best Friends Virtual Super Adoption: Search for a pet by using your zip code, May 27-31. Register online. Participating Los Angeles-area groups here. For the event, bestfriends.adopets.com For Best Friends, bestfriends.org

Stronger Than You Think: A three-day, national media program on mental health issues facing teens during the coronavirus pandemic. The program will provide words of encouragement and resources for teens plus musical performances, candid talks with entertainers and advice from medical professionals. Hours: 2-7 p.m. May 27-29. Hosts: Laurie Hernandez, Jeannie Mai, Kelly Osbourne and Jordin Sparks. The programs will stream live on social media including YouTube, Facebook, Instagram. The event is presented by National Alliance on Mental Illness, producers of the Teen Choice Awards, One Mind and Crisis Text Line (www.crisistextline.org) styt.org

Music Center’s 32nd Spotlight Grand Finale: Tony Award winner Lindsay Mendez hosts the online show with fourteen high school finalists performing their specialty in acting, dance, music or vocals, 7 p.m. May 30. Special appearances by Spotlight alumni including Misty Copeland, Josh Groban and Matthew Rushing. Spotlight is a nationally-recognized arts training and scholarship program for high school students. Watch here: bit.ly/2X4YZeY or on YouTube bit.ly/2zxy8PD

The Lavender Effect Live Virtual Pride Parade: Transgender activist and actress Alexandra Billings (“Transparent”) is the grand marshal and host for the kick-off to Pride Month in June. Watch, noon May 31 on Facebook or Zoom. www.thelavendereffect.org/events/

Idyllwild Arts – One World: A virtual fundraiser with prerecorded performances by students and greetings from alumni and faculty, noon-noon June 6-7. Presentation includes visual arts, dance and musical performances, fashions, films, musical theater and spoken word. www.idyllwildarts.org/oneworldoneidyllwild

ONGOING
Magic Hour in Los Angeles – Los Angeles Tourism & Convention Board: The non-profit marketing tourism board is presenting Los Angeles online with a variety of activities. Celebrating the look of Los Angeles sunsets — the Magic Hour — the sunset is live streamed after 6:45 p.m. from Hotel Erwin in Venice. Other activities that spotlight Los Angeles include guest speakers, dining-to-go ideas, virtual museum tours, playlists and puzzles of Los Angeles landmarks. www.facebook.com/DiscoverLosAngeles; discoverlosangeles.com

ART

California Art Club's 109th Gold Medal Exhibition – A Virtual Experience: View the exhibit online through June 13. All art available for purchase. 626-583-9009. Email: goldmedal@californiaartclub.org. bit.ly/2M318BA


Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery: “LAMAG at Home,” a variety of digital art programs from the gallery located in Barnsdall Park. www.lamag.org/portfolio_page/lamag-at-home

Rolland Gallery at Cal Lutheran University: Virtual senior art exhibit “Passionate Perspective.” Artists: Karlie Anderson (San Jose), Kori Hess (El Segundo), Bailey Huerta (Fillmore), Dani Iribe (Camarillo), Sebastian Montoya (Winnetka), Thor Nualsumlee (Moorpark), Kaylee Reel (Ventura), Mona Saii (Moorpark), Natalie Tseng (Santa Clarita) and Jessi van der Laan (Ontario, Canada). Exhibit runs through Sept. 2. The university is located in Thousand Oaks (www.callutheran.edu). www.artsteps.com/view/5e9f53f6350dd50d5b3ef355

Santa Clarita Arts – Art in Isolation: Virtual exhibition on the theme of coronavirus quarantine and isolation. www.artsteps.com/embed/5eb0e822d2c242a63721df/560/315 More information, santaclaritaarts.com

BOOKS


**Author interview from Studio City Branch Library:** The branch library’s Adult Librarian Emily Aaronson interviews Conor Knighton about his book “Leave Only Footprints: My Acadia-to-Zion Journey Through Every National Park,” 7 p.m. June 2. Streaming on the main Los Angeles Public Library YouTube [www.youtube.com/user/losangeleslibrary](http://www.youtube.com/user/losangeleslibrary) and also, Facebook [www.facebook.com/lapubliclibrary](http://www.facebook.com/lapubliclibrary)

**COMEDY**

**LA Digital Comedy Festival:** We Improv presents a variety of shows, May 29-30. Check here on these dates for live links [www.facebook.com/weimprov.net](http://www.facebook.com/weimprov.net)

**MOVIES**

**Hola Mexico Film Festival – Virtual Theatre:** Best in recent Mexican cinema online in advance of planned in-person 12th annual festival in September. Movies start at 10 a.m. and are available for 24 hours: “Los Ojos del Mar” (2017), May 28; “Historias del Desencanto” (2005), May 29; “El Cielo Abierto” (2001), May 30; “Tiempo Felices” (2014), May 31. Films are subtitled and there is a prerecorded question and answer. Tickets $4.99. [xerb.tv/channel/holamexicoff/virtual-events](http://xerb.tv/channel/holamexicoff/virtual-events)

**MUSEUM**
**Autry Museum of the American West:** Variety of online resources on the American West. [theautry.org](http://theautry.org)


**Japan House Los Angeles:** Virtual program with educational and entertainment workshops including flower arrangement, Japanese food lab, manga and anime-inspired character drawing workshops, movie & bites, pairing foods with Japanese films and television shows. [www.japanhouse.jp/losangeles](http://www.japanhouse.jp/losangeles)

**Los Angeles Zoo & Botanical Gardens:** Animal videos, educational videos and coloring pages to download and print. Virtual zoo activities: [www.lazoo.org/zootoyou](http://www.lazoo.org/zootoyou)

**Natural History Museum Los Angeles:** “Your Story Matters,” a call to the public to share stories on the effects of coronavirus pandemic here in Los Angeles. Read the frequently asked questions and answers section and use the webform on the link. Also, questions that weren’t answered online, send an email to: yourstory@nhm.org. [nhmlac.org/your-story-matters](http://nhmlac.org/your-story-matters) Upcoming: First Fridays Connected: “The Future of Food” a discussion, 6 p.m.; “Dino 101,” an interview, 7 p.m.; live performance by Choir Biy, 8 p.m.; DJ Lounge with Novena Carmel (KCRW DJ), 8:30 p.m. June 5 ([nhm.org/calendar/nhm-first-fridays-connected-june](http://nhm.org/calendar/nhm-first-fridays-connected-june))

**Petersen Automotive Museum:** “Cars, Neons, and Even a Tractor! A Secret SoCal Car Collection” ([bit.ly/2TIfRpB](http://bit.ly/2TIfRpB)). Upcoming: “Global Cars and Coffee”: Make a short video of your classic car, upload video to Dropbox, Googledrive or YouTube, save the link and fill out the museum’s online form; the museum will edit submissions into a 90-minute video that will be shown on YouTube, 8 a.m. June 7. Form and instructions here: [bit.ly/2WI5tjB](http://bit.ly/2WI5tjB) Also, sign up for “Inside the Petersen Vault” tours from the Los Angeles-based museum’s website (“Style,” June 10, and “Motorsport,” June 14) and check out the ‘Carstories’ blog and quizzes. [www.petersen.org](http://www.petersen.org)

**Wende Museum:** A collection of Cold War art, artifacts, films and other materials from 1945-1991 Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. Online items to explore include a coloring book, artwork, oral histories and historical videos. [wendemuseum.org/content/wendeonline](http://wendemuseum.org/content/wendeonline)
MUSIC

Los Angeles Master Chorale: “Sundays at Seven” series of concert recordings from one of the chorale’s previous seasons at Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles. Verdi’s Requiem (2016), this concert available until May 29; Sonic Masterworks (2016), 7 p.m. May 31; Mozart and Kirchner (2018), 7 p.m. June 7; Rachmaninoff’s All-Night Vigil, 7 p.m. (2010), 7 p.m. June 13. Each concert stays on the website page from Sunday to the following Friday. lamasterchorale.org/sundays

Glendale Noon Concerts: Pianist Brendan White performs music by Steven Stucky and Rachmaninoff, 12:10-12:40 p.m. June 3. See the Facebook link on the website. glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com

Virtual High School Choir Festival presented by Los Angeles Master Chorale: Presentation includes favorite moments from recent festivals, student interviews and a virtual performance of current students singing “The Promise of Light” by Len Schiff and Georgia Stitt, 1 p.m. June 3. Student singers are from these schools:
• Arroyo High School (El Monte)
• Azusa High School (Azusa)
• Baldwin Park High School (Baldwin Park)
• Bellflower High School (Bellflower)
• California High School (Whittier)
• Covina High School (Covina)
• Crescenta Valley High School (La Crescenta)
• El Camino Real Charter High School (Woodland Hills)
• Gabriellino High School (San Gabriel)
• Glendale High School (Glendale)
• Glendora High School (Glendora)
• Hamilton High School (Los Angeles)
• Hoover High School (Glendale)
• Lakewood High School (Lakewood)
• Marshall Secondary High School (Pasadena)
• Montebello High School (Montebello)
• Palos Verdes Peninsula High School (Rolling Hills Estates)
• Paramount High School (Paramount)
• Ramón C. Cortines School of VAPA (Los Angeles)
• Rosemead High School (Rosemead)
• Rubidoux High School (Jurupa Valley)
• Torres East LA Performing Arts Magnet (Los Angeles)
• Valley High School (Santa Ana)
• Van Nuys High School (Van Nuys)
• Venice High School (Los Angeles)
• Whittier Christian High School (La Habra)
• Taft High School (Woodland Hills)

lamasterchorale.org/high-school-choir-festival

THEATER


skylighttheatre.org/event/skylight-live
LA Opera: “Backstage at LAO,” concert by members of the LA Opera orchestra, 4 p.m. May 28. “Living Room Recital,” with singer Amanda Woodbury and pianist Aurelia Andrews, 4 p.m. May 29. For these and other LA Opera at Home events, bit.ly/3c7Hdf8

Screen on Stage Theatre Fest: The MAIN in Newhall presents staged readings of one-act comedies, dramas and radio plays. One-act comedies 7 p.m. May 29 (bit.ly/2X2kpJB). The shows are live on Zoom on Fridays through July 3. “Doors open,” 6:30 p.m. Free but donations welcome. MAIN cast interviews, 7 p.m. Tuesdays through June 30. Check the MAIN's Facebook for updates and how to join the Zoom show. www.facebook.com/themainnewhall


Love Letters at Home: Audience sends in dedications/memories of current and past loves and a music dedication request and actors speak the words from submissions. Event on Zoom, 2 p.m. June 10. Free but an advance registration on Eventbrite is required. Presented by UCLA’s Center for the Art of Performance, Fuel and Uninvited Guests. bit.ly/3eqF4gl


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