

# OCTOBER

## **298 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:** [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **299 Ford Amphitheatre 2009 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)

## **300 Theatricum Botanicum 2009 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 - \$28, Children 5 and under free  
**SPONSOR:** Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum  
**INFO:** 310-455-3723, [www.theatricum.com](http://www.theatricum.com)

## **301 Italian Heritage Month Los Angeles**

October is Italian Heritage Month and there are many fun events planned to educate the public on the many contributions Italians and Italian Americans have made to our world of the arts, sciences, culture, and entertainment.

**WHEN:** Throughout October, check website for schedule  
**SITE:** Various sites throughout Los Angeles  
**COST:** Various  
**SPONSOR:** My Italian LA  
**INFO:** [www.italianheritagela.com](http://www.italianheritagela.com)

## **302 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)

### **303 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 1, 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)

### **304 The 5th Annual Artist Film Festival & Artist Awards**

This festival screens and honors films that are activist in nature. The event also serves as a forum for filmmakers, artists, and musicians who use their work to create a global social consciousness, specifically in the arenas of environmental awareness, animal rights, human rights, and children's advocacy.

**WHEN:** October 1 through 4, 6:00 p.m. – 12:00 midnight  
**SITE:** The Egyptian Theatre, 6712 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood  
**COST:** \$12 - \$15  
**SPONSOR:** The Artist Collective  
**INFO:** 310-717-1225, [www.artivists.org](http://www.artivists.org)

### **305 Catalina Island JazzTrax Festival 2009**

West Coast's premier smooth jazz event features the newest and best in smooth jazz. Jazz fans from around the country flock to Avalon for this event year after year. Over 30 top recording artists are scheduled to perform at the festival, which always takes place the first three weekends in October.

**WHEN:** October 2 - 4, 9 - 11, 16 - 18, Fridays 7:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 12:00 noon  
**SITE:** Wrigley Casino Ballroom, Avalon, Catalina Island  
**COST:** Starting at \$27  
**SPONSOR:** JazzTrax  
**INFO:** [www.jazztrax.com](http://www.jazztrax.com)

### **306 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 3, 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:** 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)



Aquarium of the Pacific

### **307 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 3, 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)

### **308 Inglewood Celebrates the Arts Market Street Festival**

The City of Inglewood will celebrate its diversity through the presentation of music, dance, arts, crafts, and foods of various cultures. Live performing artists will be featured throughout the day on three stages and booths featuring multicultural artists, interactive games, storytellers, illustrators, and arts and crafts for children will line the streets. If you're a classic car buff, you won't want to miss the 35th Annual Classic Car Show featuring pre-1970 vintage cars and specialty vehicles. This festival promises fun and entertainment for individuals, families, and children of all ages.

WHEN: **October 3, 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Historic Market Street, 101 N. Market St., Inglewood  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Inglewood  
INFO: 310-412-8700

### **309 7th 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 4, 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: [www.cervantescenter.org](http://www.cervantescenter.org)

### **310 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.montrosechamber.org](http://www.montrosechamber.org)

### **311 NOHO Theater and Arts Festival**

Get a taste of the NOHO Arts District with a free day of theatre, music, dance, and arts.

WHEN: **October 4, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Lankershim Blvd. and Magnolia, North Hollywood  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: NOHO Arts District  
INFO: 818-980-NOHO, [www.nohoartsdistrict.com](http://www.nohoartsdistrict.com)

### **312 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, 23233 Saticoy Ave., West Hills  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Canoga Park/West Hills Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-884-4222, [www.cpwchamber.org](http://www.cpwchamber.org)

### **313 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 8, 12:00 noon – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Bert Green Fine Art  
INFO: 213-624-6212, [www.downtownartwalk.com](http://www.downtownartwalk.com)

### **314 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last 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 10 & 31, 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)

### **315 22nd Annual Taste of Encino Festival**

This is one of the highlights of early fall in the heart of the San Fernando Valley. Entertainment will include four stages of live folk, bluegrass, and other music styles to listen or dance to, along with creative storytelling. There will also be a variety of ethnic and American foods, a rock-climbing wall, a moon bounce, arts and crafts fair, health and wellness pavilion, and more.

WHEN: **October 11, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Encino Park, 16953 Ventura Blvd., Encino  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks & Encino Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-349-7341, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **316 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 11, 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)

### **317 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 11, 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: 212-255-4025, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **318** 12th Annual Dog Faire and Pet Adoption

Pooches of all shapes and sizes, colors, hair lengths, and breeds will come together for a day of fun in the sun with their human friends. Activities and services available include an agility test, a microchip identification clinic, vaccinations, product demonstrations, doggie psychics, and much more. Donations will be accepted, with the proceeds to benefit the park.

**WHEN:** October 17, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Sepulveda Basin Dog Park, 17550 Victory Blvd., Encino  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 818-756-8060, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **319** 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 18, 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:** 310-548-7562, [www.cabrilloaq.org](http://www.cabrilloaq.org), [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **320** Los Angeles Carnaval and Internacional Parade

This is the largest Caribbean event in the Greater Los Angeles area. Crowds come to witness and participate in the traditional pageantry and to enjoy the colorful costumes of shimmering fabrics and furling feathers. The event features live bands, and large decorated trucks and floats.



**WHEN:** October 18, Parade 11:00 a.m., Concert until 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** From Emerson and 88th st. through Manchester and Lincoln  
**COST:** \$20 Participation  
**SPONSOR:** International Eje, Los Angeles & CARICABELA  
**INFO:** 310-410-0174, [www.losangelescarnival.com](http://www.losangelescarnival.com)

### **321** Sea Scare

Step into the world of thrills, chills, and gills for its annual night-time Halloween event. Come in costume and scare up some goodies as you trick or treat throughout the Aquarium. The event includes apparitional activities, creepy crafts, dreadful demonstrations, and eerie entertainment wait as you explore this family-friendly night-time event.

**WHEN:** April 18, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 310-548-7562, [www.cabrilloaq.org](http://www.cabrilloaq.org), [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **322** Día de los Muertos Family Festival

A free community art festival celebrating the Mexican tradition of Day of the Dead. The event features musical entertainment, puppet show, altars, art workshops, and refreshments.

**WHEN:** October 24, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Canoga Park Youth Arts Center, 7222 Remmet Ave., Canoga Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs  
**INFO:** 818-346-7099, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

### **323 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 24 & 25, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Los Angeles Zoo & Botanical Gardens, 5333 Zoo Dr., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free with paid admission, \$12 Adults, \$7 Children (2-12)  
**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Zoo  
**INFO:** 323-644-4200, [www.lazoo.org](http://www.lazoo.org)

### **324 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 25, 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)

### **325 Haunted Harvest Storytelling Festival**

The event features performances by We Tell Stories, LA's iconic children's storytelling theatre company. Each performance is a 15-minute story-play that integrates audience participation. We Tell Stories performances alternate with guest artists to provide complementary forms of storytelling. The festival also includes additional activities including a costume contest and a haunted house.

**WHEN:** October 27, 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Old LA Farmer's Market, Ave. 57 & Marmion Wy., Highland Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** We Tell Stories  
**INFO:** 323-256-2336, [www.wetellstories.org](http://www.wetellstories.org),



### **326 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 30, 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)

### **327 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)

### **328 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 Boulevard 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)

### **329 Warner Park Fine Arts and Crafts Show**

One hundred artists will display their original work in the beautiful outdoor setting of Warner Park. Work on display will include acrylics, oils, watercolors, sculptures, jewelry, pottery, stained glass, turned wood, and many other mediums of fine crafts.

WHEN: **October 31 & November 1, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Warner Park, 5900 Topanga Cyn. Blvd., Woodland Hills  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: West Coast Artists  
INFO: 818-709-2907, [www.westcoartists.com](http://www.westcoartists.com)

## **NOVEMBER**

### **330 Los Angeles Storytelling Festival**

This is an all-day event celebrating the art of storytelling with concerts and workshops.

WHEN: **November To Be Announced, 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Check website  
COST: \$40  
SPONSOR: LA Storytelling Festival  
INFO: [www.storytellingfestival.com](http://www.storytellingfestival.com)

### **331 9th Annual Día de los Muertos Festival**



The annual street festival is a traditional cultural event that celebrates the ancient Mexican and Central American traditions of paying homage to loved ones who have passed. Festivities are continuous all day in historic Downtown Canoga Park, recipient of the All-American City Award, and showcase live musical entertainment, vendors, international foods, calaveras, artists' exhibits, altar displays, a children's art pavilion, and a large classic car show.

WHEN: **November 1, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Sherman Way between Canoga and Jordan Ave., Canoga Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Main Street Canoga Park, Councilman Dennis P. Zine, City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs  
INFO: 818-346-4892, [www.mainstreetcanogapark.org](http://www.mainstreetcanogapark.org)