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PLAYHOUSE DISTRICT ASSOCIATION NEWSROOM

NEWS AND HAPPENINGS



Valentine's Day Comedy Show

When: Sun., Feb. 14, 7 pm & 9 pm

Where: [Ice House Comedy Club](#), 24 N. Mentor Ave.

Info: icehousecomedy.com



6th Annual Lunar New Year Festival

[Lunar New Year](#) is the most important event of the year in many Asian countries. Join [USC Pacific Asia Museum](#) on Sunday, February 7th from 11 am to 5 pm, as they welcome the Year of the Monkey! Experience how China, Korea and Cambodia celebrate this joyous time of the year through dances, magic, acrobatics, live music, storytelling, art activities and food trucks! As a special treat, an Art troupe from Shenzhen, China will perform at the event. Families of all backgrounds welcome and the event is [FREE!](#)



Third at First Concert:

James Lent & Junko Ueno Garrett

When: Sat., Feb. 20 at 4 pm

Where: [First United Methodist Church](#), 500 E. Colorado Blvd.

Cost: Free

Info: fumcpasadena.org



Love is in the Air in the Playhouse District

Experience a night of gourmet indulgence and classic romance at our Playhouse District Restaurants.

Receive a rose for your Valentine and enjoy the sounds of a mariachi serenade by the Trio Bella as you savor a special menu by Chef Cesar at [El Portal](#) Restaurant. Call El Portal at (626) 795-8553 to make your reservation for this special day!

Bring your sweetheart to [Roy's](#) this Valentine's Day! Chef Partner Adam Palffy





Children's Workshop: Bookmaking & Storytelling

When: Sat., Feb. 20 at 2 pm

Where: [Pasadena Museum of California Art](#), 490 E. Union St.

Info: [pmcaonline.org](#)



**/än 'sämbəl/
("Ensemble") Concert**

When: Sat., Feb. 27 at 7:30 pm

Where: [Pasadena Presbyterian Church](#), 585 E. Colorado Blvd.

Cost: Free

Info: [ppcmusic.org](#)



Opening March 2016:

**Southern California
Children's Museum**

Where: [Southern California Children's Museum](#), 459 E. Colorado Blvd.

has created a custom menu to celebrate this romantic night with delicious dish options like the Kobe Flat Iron & King Crab Legs or the Dynamite Crusted Chilean Sea Bass. Visit [roysrestaurants.com](#) for the full menu and make your reservations by calling (626) 356-4066.

Maison Akira will have a special menu only available for Valentine's Day weekend! Celebrate your loved one with a delicious 3-course lunch or dinner at Maison Akira. See the exclusive menu at [maisonakira.net](#) and call (626) 796-9501 to make a reservation.

Don't miss out "[An Affair to Remember](#)" at the **Women's City Club** on Friday, February 12th. The evening will feature a delicious dinner paired with a champagne tasting, live musical entertainment and dancing! Raffle and photo opportunity will provide funds to support the [Bloom Again Foundation](#). Tickets are \$50 and reservations are required: (626) 796-0560 / [wccpas@sbcglobal.net](#).

Be Still: Photography Exhibit at Fuller Seminary

Be Still, a one-person exhibition of photographs by Los Angeles-based artist Kristin Bedford, is presented by the [Brehm Center](#) at [Fuller Theological Seminary](#) through March 22nd.



Over the course of ten months in 2012,

[Kristin Bedford](#) photographed the congregation of a small, African American storefront church in Durham, NC. Images of African American worship have been often characterized by a feverish, ecstatic energy. In *Be Still*, Bedford offers an alternate vision of worship, one filled with moments of devotional solitude and contemplative silence.

The exhibition will be on view at the David Allan Hubbard Library, Fuller Theological Seminary at 135 N. Oakland Avenue. Hours are 9am-11pm, Monday through Saturday. For more information, visit [brehmcenter.com](#).



Info: socalkids.org



Pasadena International Film Festival

When: March 2 - 10, 2016

Where: [Laemmle Playhouse 7 Theatre](#), 673 E. Colorado Blvd.

Tickets:
pasadenafilmfestival.org



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New Production at Pasadena Playhouse: FLY

With a focus on hope, endurance, and accomplishment, *Fly* tells the story of the first African-American Army Air Corp fighters known as the Tuskegee Airmen who flew over the skies of Europe and North Africa during World War II. Featuring a cast of eight men, including "Tap Griot," a dancer who uses tap dance steps to set a mood that is part sublimated anger, part empowerment, *Fly* was hailed by The New York Times as "a superior piece of theatrical synergy." In honor of Black History month, The Pasadena Playhouse and Crossroads Theatre Company's production of *Fly* dramatizes the historic contributions made by the Tuskegee Airmen to the desegregation of the American military and the furthering of civil rights. See *Fly* at the [Pasadena Playhouse](#) through February 21, for tickets visit pasadenaplayhouse.org.

Music at Boston Court

[Music @ Boston Court](#) continues to program an eclectic and robust season including returning favorites such as P.I.E., wild Up, Joe LaBarbara, and Joanne Martin.

The Winter season kicks off on February 26 with the [Tyler Blanton Quartet](#). In *Good Vibrations: The Art of the Vibraphone*, Tyler's highly original sound reverberates in concert with Joe LaBarbera, Dan Lutz, and Larry Kounse.

Find music in exotic spaces in *Walkabout* by the [Synchrony and the Argus Quartet](#) on February 27th. The musical performance is an exploration of 21st-century chamber music inspired by places, most of which are real.

Become a member or purchase your tickets at BostonCourt.com.



New Businesses in the Playhouse District

CHIM! Thai Street Food

[CHIM Thai Street Food](#) brings the flavors of the streets of Thailand to Pasadena! Try their authentic menu at 910 E. Union St. at Lake Ave.



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Pokenoya

Get your poke fix at [Pokenoya](#), with the option to Build Your Own Noya or choose from one of their Signature Bowls. This new lunch spot is at 766 E Colorado Blvd., across the street from Target.

PDA Meeting Schedule

Promotions & Marketing Committee

Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 10 am
Playhouse District Office

Safety Committee

Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 2 pm
Playhouse District Office

Economic Enhancement Committee

Thursday, Feb. 11 at 8:30 am
Pasadena Presbyterian Church

Parking Committee

Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 3 pm
Playhouse District Office

Design and Physical Enhancement Committee

Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 8:30 am
Playhouse District Office

Board of Directors

Wednesday, Feb. 24 at 8:30 am
Pasadena Presbyterian Church

ANNUAL MEETING



Playhouse District Association Annual Meeting

You are invited to the Playhouse District Association's Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 5 from 4:30 - 6:30 pm at the [Women's City Club](#) (160 N. Oakland Ave.). Join the Playhouse District in celebrating the accomplishments of 2015 and hear a presentation from keynote speaker [Dr. Manuel Pastor](#), an author and Professor of Sociology and American Studies & Ethnicity at the University of Southern California. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and wine from [Reyes Winery](#).

RSVP by emailing christine@playhousedistrict.org or by calling the Playhouse District office at (626) 744-0340. We hope to see you there!

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