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PLAYHOUSE DISTRICT ASSOCIATION NEWSROOM

NEWS AND HAPPENINGS



Cinco de Mayo Fiestas

When: All Weekend, May 5 - 8 starting at 5pm

Where: [El Portal](#), 695 E. Green St.

Info: elportalrestaurant.com



Mother's Day Floral Workshop

When: Saturday, May 7, 12-2 pm

Where: [Ophelia Song](#), 644 E. Colorado Blvd.

Info: opheliasong.com



Mother's Day Specials in the Playhouse District

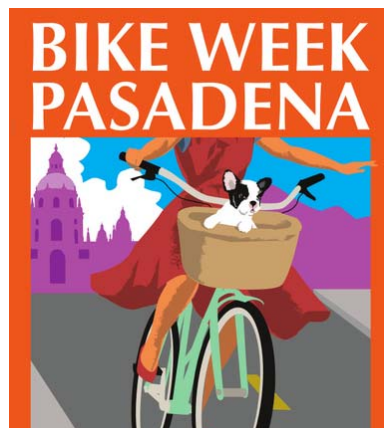
Looking for somewhere special to take Mom this Mother's Day? The Playhouse District is home to a variety of restaurants that are offering specials for Mother's Day on Sunday, May 8! Here are a selection of local eateries to enjoy this weekend:

[El Portal Restaurant](#) invites you to enjoy with a special brunch, mariachis, and a surprise for mom! For reservations, please call 626.795.8553.

[Maison Akira's](#) Chef Hirose has prepared a special Mother's Day Brunch Menu and Dinner Menu for Sunday. Make your reservations today: 626.796.9501.

[redwhite+bluezz](#) invites you to enjoy a brunch buffet and all that jazz for just \$35 per person! Call 626.792.4441 to make your reservation.

[Roy's Restaurant](#) invites you to treat Mom to a delightful Mother's Day brunch starting at just \$35.95. This includes Roy's Benedict, Housemade brioche sticky buns, and more!



Pasadena Bike Week

Pasadena Bike Week arrives to the Playhouse District on May 16 with its "A Taste of Pasadena" ride. This bicycle tour highlights delicious eateries, providing sweet and savory fuel for the journey to each spot including [Urth Caffe](#), [El Portal](#) and [Rounds Burgers](#). Find out more about this ride and other Bike Week events www.cicle.org.

The Golden Dragon at Boston Court



MUSE/IQUE: Guitar/Heroes

When: Sunday, May 15 at 6 pm

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

Cost: \$50

Tickets: [muse-ique.com](#)



Ae-Kyong Kim: Organ Concert

When: Saturday, May 21 at 4 pm

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

Cost: FREE

Info: [fumcpasadena.org](#)



Sushi Cooking Class

When: Saturday, May 21 at 11:30 am

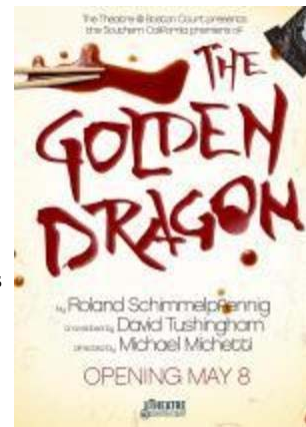
Where: [Roy's Restaurant](#), 641 E. Colorado Blvd.

Cost: \$50

Info: [roysrestaurant.com](#)

The Southern California Premiere of *The Golden Dragon* by Roland Schimmelpfennig, translated by David Tushingham, and directed by Michael Michetti, opens May 8th at [Boston Court](#). What starts out as a simple toothache evolves into a dizzying chain of events as a group of disparate people, played by a cast of five who assume many roles indiscriminate of age, gender, and race, struggle to make connections in an increasingly isolated world.

At the center of the story is a Thai/Chinese/Vietnamese restaurant, The Golden Dragon, where a young Chinese man suffering from an oversensitive incisor sparks a whacked and weird series of interconnected stories. Visit [bostoncourt.com](#) to purchase tickets to this delicious mixture of epic theatre, bizarre comedy, poetry, and fable combined to create a fabulous pho.



Make Music Pasadena is Almost Here!

[Make Music Pasadena](#), the West Coast's largest FREE music festival, will take place throughout Downtown Pasadena on Saturday, June 11 from 11 am – 11 pm. The all-day, all-ages music festival takes place on 6 main stages, with an additional 30+ stages and performance

venues throughout Downtown Pasadena. The Make Music Pasadena lineup will total more than 150 bands, featuring an eclectic mix of diverse music, including seasoned performers and emerging hometown talent, coming together for one day to celebrate the spirit of music. Visit [makemusicpasadena.org](#) to see who will be performing on the main stages! Donations starting from \$5 get you cool perks including buttons, CDs, backstage passes and more!



LITFEST PASADENA



Mother's Day Weekend Events at FUMC

When: Saturday, June 4 at 11:45
am

Where: Playhouse District

Cost: Free

Info: litfestpasadena.org

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New Utility Box Art Installation

The Playhouse District has unveiled a new public art installation on utility boxes, "Utility II" by Susan Silton. This series is an update of the artist's 2011 installation called "Utility". The updated art carries on with the theme of freedom of speech crusaders who shaped our country such as Eleanor Roosevelt and Benjamin Franklin, while incorporating powerful statements evoking responsibility from Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Supreme Court Justice Benjamin Cordoza, and workers' rights leader Cesar Chavez.

The utility boxes are all accessible by car and foot along Colorado Boulevard at the southeast corners of the intersections of Los Robles, Oakland, Madison, El Molino and Oak Knoll.

"Utility II" is the latest of the Playhouse District's initiatives to make the pedestrian environment a more welcoming experience in Pasadena's premier arts district. Learn more about the PDA's public art initiatives on playhousedistrict.org.

PDA Meeting Schedule

Promotions & Marketing

Committee

Tuesday, May 10 at 10 am
Playhouse District Office

Safety Committee

Tuesday, May 10 at 2 pm
Playhouse District Office

Economic Enhancement

Committee

Thursday, May 12 at 8:30 am
Pasadena Presbyterian Church

Design and Physical Enhancement Committee

Wednesday, May 18 at 8:30 am
Playhouse District Office

Parking Committee

Thursday, May 19 at 3 pm
Playhouse District Office

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, May 25 at 8 am
Pasadena Presbyterian Church



McKinley Mural Restoration Celebration

The McKinley Mural Restoration Committee invites you to join them on May 25th, to celebrate the beginning of their restoration effort of this Pasadena treasure at the McKinley Elementary School Library. Come, enjoy, and learn about this historical art piece. RSVP by May 20 to Pam Thyret (626) 441-4802 or pthyret@cityofpasadena.net.

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