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# **Upcoming Art Events**

## What's New?





Retro Coco: Celebrating her 10<sup>th</sup> year of living in Los Angeles, Coco brings back to the stage the three hit shows she wrote especially for the L.A. Gay and Lesbian Center. Written and performed by Clinton Leupp, directed by Michael Schiralli. *Glorious Wounds... she's damaged,* May 1 & 2 at 8 pm; May 3 at 7 pm. *Miss Coco Peru is Undaunted,* May 8 & 9 at 8 pm; May 10 at 7 pm. *Ugly Coco,* May 15 & 16 at 8 pm; May 17 at 7 pm. For more information click here or call (323) 860-7300. Special package pricing is available.



**Introduction to Mendhi:** Practiced widely throughout southern and western Asia and Africa, Mendhi is the art of painting elaborate patterns on the skin with henna. Saturday, **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** at 2 pm. Please join us to learn from Karishma Beauty Salon about the history of this ancient Indian body art and get a natural, painless, temporary tattoo! For teens and adults. Located at the West Hollywood Library, 647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood 90069. For more information call (310) 830-0231.

**Once...** Shine! LA's Youth Theatre presents a show about three classic Brothers Grimm Tales with a modern twist. Written & Directed by Tony Sanders with choreography by Cara Adelman. **May 2nd** at 5 pm, **May 3rd** at 6pm and **May 9th** at 1 pm and 5 pm at the West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Blvd. Tickets are a \$10 suggested donation. For reservations and more information please call (323) 951-9118. To find out more about Shine! visit <a href="www.shinetheatre.com">www.shinetheatre.com</a>

# **Theater and Performing Arts**



**Luminous Birch**, at the Greenway Court Theater. Written and performed by Randy Sean Schulman, *Luminous Birch* is a trip into a man's subconscious mind where we stumble upon a fairytale nightmare and go headfirst into a complex combination of film and live stage theatrics. Plays Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm and Sundays at 4 pm **through May 10, 2009**. Greenway Court Theater is located at 544 N. Fairfax Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90036. Tickets are \$20 general admission and \$16 for students. For more information call (323) 655-7679 x 100. To see the flyer click here.





**So Hard**: Written and performed by Derek Ringold and directed by theatre veteran Michael Kearns and made possible by the City of West Hollywood Arts Grant Program, the play is subtitled *A Black Gay Man Navigates West Hollywood in a New America* and is a collage of monologues, dance, and video images that illuminate why it's "so hard" to be gay and black in a changing and challenging world. This multi-media theatre piece will play three consecutive Wednesday evenings at the Zephyr Theatre. Show will play at 8 pm for three performances only: **May 13, 20, and 27**. The Zephyr Theatre is located at 7456 Melrose Ave. Tickets are \$12 and available at the box office, one-half hour before each performance or to reserve tickets call (323) 623-9036. More info at <a href="www.derekringold.webs.com">www.derekringold.webs.com</a>.



**The Trojan War, Part 2: The Aftermath** - The City of West Hollywood and Bare Bones Theater present a play on the Trojan War, written and directed by Tony Tanner. Show runs Fridays at 7 pm and Sundays at 2 pm **through May 16, 2009**. Tickets are \$20 general admission, \$15 for students, \$10 previews. Presented in Fiesta Hall, 1200 N. Vista, West Hollywood. For reservations call (323) 461-5570.

# **Visual and Fine Arts**

#### Art on the Outside

**Peter Shire:** Six sculptures by Los Angeles artist Peter Shire are on display on the Santa Monica Boulevard median between Doheny and Almont Drives. These fanciful sculptures sit on the median of Santa Monica Boulevard, designed specifically to showcase temporary art installations. To view photos showing the installation process and the resulting sculptures, visit our Peter Shire flickr set.





Raymond Pettibon: *No Title (I Thought California)*, 1989/2008 is now on display on the vertical bill-board at Sunset and Olive as part of the City's Art on the Outside program.

# **Coming Attractions**

Coming Soon to **West Hollywood Library**, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood 90069. For ADA accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, materials in alternate format, or access to the facility, call (310) 830-0231 (voice) or (310) 830-4532 (TTY), 8-5, M-F at least six business days prior to event.

- Sunshine Drum Circle Stories: Traverse the world with our multicultural stories, rhythms and sounds using dozens
  of Djembe drums (for elementary school age children). Saturday, May 9, 2009 at 2 pm at West Hollywood Library,
  647 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood 90069.
- We Shall Overcome, a Multicultural program for adults and families: Featuring Makinto, an international recording artist who has performed in over 60 countries on five continents. He blends music and storytelling into a fun, interactive presentation. Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at 6:30 pm. Program funded by the Ezra Jack Keats Grant.

**Chalk Art in the Park:** Chalk Art in the Park is an exciting free event designed to celebrate the creativity of our community and promote the importance of public art, as well as providing a safe place for families to gather. The City of West Hollywood will be having its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "Chalk Art in the Park" **May 16, 2009** from 11am - 4 pm. The first 100 people will receive a free goody bag with pastels, all you need to bring is your imagination! The Chalk art contest is open to all ages and abilities. Be sure to reserve your spot beginning April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Plummer Park office. Sign up early because space is limited! For more information call: (323) 848-6530. To see the flyer click here.







**Call for Entries**, *Out There*: Los Angeles Art Association & the City of West Hollywood are proud to announce *Out There*, a very special exhibition celebrating the LGBT experience during West Hollywood's Pride Month Festivities. Open call to all Southern California Artists for this exhibition should be submitted by **May 22**, **2009** at 5 pm. The show dates are June 11 through June 17, 2009. To see the application <u>click here</u>. Please read all guidelines and application form carefully. *Out There* is made possible by the City of West Hollywood Arts Grant Program. More info at <u>www.laaa.org</u>.





West Hollywood Spring Classics: Funded in part by a grant through the City of West Hollywood's Arts Grant Program, Gregory Cherninsky conducts a concert featuring Ishani Bhoola (Violin), Alexander Kalman (Violin), Alma Fernandez (Viola), Matt Nabours (Viola), Tina Soule (Cello), Giovanna M. Clayton (Cello), Liesl Erman (Harp), Mikael Oganesyan (Piano) and other great musicians in an exciting program of music by Peotr Tchaikovsky, Claude Debussy, Jaan Räatz, Scott Joplin and Henry Lodge. The concert will be held on Sunday, May 24, 2009 at 4 pm in historic Fiesta Hall in Plummer Park, 1200 N. Vista Street, West Hollywood, CA 90046. General Admission is \$20. For seniors, students and residents of West Hollywood, admission is \$15. For more information call (310) 779-7622 or e-mail at dmgfest@aol.com. To see the event's program please click here.

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