

What's New?



Through March '09 - Eastside Arts Initiative - *Go to the Park* is a site-specific public art project that shines a light on West Hollywood's vibrant Eastside. Five temporary art projects are installed in Plummer Park to honor the park's historical significance and its community value to the City of West Hollywood. The exhibit runs through the end of March 2009. Plummer Park is located at 7377 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood. At the Park's Community Center you will be able to pick up a brochure to learn more about the artists and this intriguing project. To learn more you [can click here](#) or contact Andrew Campbell at (323) 848-6883 or acampbell@weho.org

3/07/09 - Arts Tune-Up, The City of West Hollywood through its Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission and in collaboration with the Los Angeles County Arts Commission presents an Arts Tune Up on Saturday March 7 from 10 am to 1 pm at Fiesta Hall in Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd. The Arts Tune Up is an arts information workshop for artists and small budget nonprofit arts organizations to explore a variety of topics from marketing and grant writing to arts education, health insurance and legal issues for artists and writers. Register online through [SurveyMonkey by clicking here](#). For more info contact Anjji Gaspar-Milanovic, Los Angeles Arts Commission (213) 202-3981 or amilanovic@arts.lacounty.gov



Theater

Celebration Theatre has two new shows now playing: ***Missionary Position***, the further adventures by the actor-playwright of *Confessions of a Mormon Boy*, Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 pm, Sundays at 3 pm through February 22nd; and ***Gladlibs! An All-Improv Musical*** on Fridays and Saturdays at 10:30 pm through February 21st. Celebration Theatre is located at 7051 Santa Monica Boulevard. For tickets or more information: <http://celebrationtheatre.com/> or (323) 957-1884.

Many Voices/ Our Lives, Celebration Theatre honors Black History Month through a special reading series. **2/25/09 THE BLACK QUEENS**: a mirror play by Jerome Augustus Park and special concert staging directed by Noni Limar. A fantastical trip through history, power and freedom as three ferocious queens entrap two younger ones in servitude at a diner. To RSVP email cnw@celebrationtheatre.com or call (323) 957-1884. All readings are at 8pm. Celebration Theatre is located at 7051-B Santa Monica Boulevard.

Bruising for Besos, at the Davidson/Valentini Theatre (benefiting the L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center). Tempered with doses of good humor and reflection, *Bruising for Besos* is a full-length solo performance written and performed by Adelina Anthony that explores domestic violence in queer and non-queer relationships. 1125 N. McCadden Place, Los Angeles (one block east of Highland, just north of Santa Monica Blvd.). Play shows February 20 -March 15, 2009, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 P.M.; Sundays at 7 pm. Tickets \$20, \$15 with valid student ID, available on-line at www.lagaycenter.org/boxoffice. For more information call (323) 860-7300.

Hanging Out: A New Musical Revue in the Nude, World premiere musical conceived and directed by Robert Schrock, choreography by Ken Roht, and musical direction by Gerald Sternbach. Through March 15, 2009 at the MACHA Theater, 1107 N. Kings Road, West Hollywood CA 90069. Purchase tickets online at www.plays411.com or contact David Elzner at (818) 508-1754 for more information.

The Lark by Jean Anouilh - Event sponsored by the City of West Hollywood and the Classical Theatre Lab. The 20th Century French playwright's beautiful treatment of the legend of Joan of Arc in which he champions the notion that mystery and faith sometimes play powerful roles in changing the course of history. Tuesday, February 24, 2009. Admission is free. Plummer Park, Fiesta Hall 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard 7PM. For more information, please call 323/960-5691. TTY for the deaf and hard of hearing at 323/848-6496.

Visual and Fine Arts

Art on the Outside

Peter Shire: Six sculptures by Los Angeles artist Peter Shire will be on view on the Santa Monica Boulevard median between Doheny and Almont Drives through March 2009. These colorful and 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: The City of West Hollywood is pleased to be participating in the 2008 California Biennial with a signature work by artist Raymond Pettibon. *No Title (I Thought California)*, 1989/2008 is now on display through March 2009 on the vertical billboard at Sunset and Olive as part of the City's Art on the Outside program.

Coming Attractions

Russian Winter Festival 2009 - On **3/05/09** and **3/06/09** Mumiy Troll will appear at The Roxy on Sunset. This kicks off three nights of Russian culture, a bold statement in the face of economic crisis. Come see Russia's most famous band in their US tour entitled "Comrade Ambassador." The Roxy is located at 9009, West Sunset Blvd. Concert Hotline: (310)276-2222, Box Office: (310)278-9457. **3/07/09** The City of West Hollywood and the UCLA Slavic Dept. present "New Russian Cinema." Animation, documentary shorts, and a new feature film, all subtitled! Here you can see some of the most charming films from the world's biggest country; all are being shown in the US for the very first time. 12 pm - 8 pm - Entrance is free, parking is \$9 for the entire day. [Click here](#) to view the 2009 Russian Winter Festival website.

Pass It On Music Video Workshop Final Screening - Free public screening of music videos created by LGBTQ foster youth. Saturday, **3/07/09**, at 5:30 pm. Located at West Hollywood Park, Main Auditorium 715 N. San Vicente Blvd. For more information contact jacky@liveartsgroup.org or [click here](#).

Leaps of Faith - 3/08/09 at 2 pm. Artists of different spiritual paths dive into the swirling waters of interfaith collaboration through personal stories, music, poetry, and movement. This event is supported in part with a grant through the City of West Hollywood's Arts Grant Program. Suggested donation \$15 located at Crescent Heights United Methodist Church located at 1296 Fairfax Ave. West Hollywood, CA. For information and reservations please call (213) 250-8800 or booking@greatleap.org

Musical Marathon "Hollywood Spring - II "Giuseppe Verdi" - The City of West Hollywood and the Russian Advisory Board "Unity in Diversity Arts Foundation" proudly presents the "Great Composers" concert series featuring Giuseppe Verdi and arias from the operas Rigoletto, La Traviatta, Aida, Don Carlos, Nabucco, Trovatore and more. Mistress of ceremonies Svetlana Transkaya. Saturday, February 28, 2009. Plummer Park, Fiesta Hall **7377 Santa Monica Boulevard** at 4 PM. Tickets \$15 per person and will be available one hour before the concert. For more information, please call 323/848-6826. TTY for the deaf and hard of hearing at 323/848-6496.



LA Weekly Gold Standard Food Event, a selection of L.A.'s top 30 restaurants selected by Pulitzer Prize winning LA Weekly Food Critic, Jonathan Gold. March 8, 2009 at Smashbox Studios in West Hollywood 3-8 pm. Tickets \$65, students \$20, kids \$10. A portion of proceeds benefit Heal the Bay. To visit the website [click here](#).

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