

City of West Hollywood and its Russian Advisory Board Present

73rd ANNIVERSARY OF VICTORY IN EUROPE DAY
AND

Immortal Regiment March

Sunday, May 6, 2018
Activities Begin at 9:30 AM

The poster features a black and white photograph of soldiers marching down a street. The text is primarily in red and white on a black background. At the top, it says 'THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AND ITS RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD PRESENT'. The main title is 'THE 73RD ANNIVERSARY OF VICTORY IN EUROPE DAY' in large red letters, followed by 'SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018' in white. Below the photo, it reads: 'THE DAY MARKS THE END OF THE NAZI REGIME IN GERMANY AND THE DEFEAT OF THE GERMAN ARMY IN EUROPE. THE DAY IS THE REMEMBRANCE OF AN ESTIMATED 50 MILLION PEOPLE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE COURSE OF WWII.' The event details are listed at the bottom: 'IMMORTAL REGIMENT MARCH' at 'SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD AND FAIRFAX AVENUE 9:30 AM' and 'OFFICIAL CEREMONY AND MEMORIAL PERFORMANCE' at 'PLUMMER PARK, FIESTA HALL 11:30 AM' and '7377 SANTA MONICA BLVD., WEST HOLLYWOOD'. A small red flower graphic is in the bottom right corner.

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7377 SANTA MONICA BLVD., WEST HOLLYWOOD

For more information, or if you require special accommodations, please call (323) 848-6826 before May 3.
For TTY users, please call (323) 848-6496
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Victory in Europe Day marks the defeat of the Nazi forces and remembers the estimated 50 million people who died during World War II. The Immortal Regiment march was initially held by volunteers in the Russian city of Tomsk to mark the anniversary of the Victory in WWII, and has since grown to become a global movement. The Immortal Regiment marches, which will take place from May 6-9 this year, are an act of admiration and remembrance of all who fought against the Nazis during the WWII. Participants honor their relatives who fought the Nazis in WWII by carrying placards with photos of their relatives.

Immortal Regiment activities had 12 million participants in Russia last year. These marches go beyond politics; they show that we will always be grateful for WWII veterans, and that we will never forget the sacrifices they made. With fascism on the rise worldwide, the Immortal Regiment march has taken on a new and urgent meaning, as it honors the soldiers who fought and many who perished in the fight against fascism.

This year's Immortal Regiment march will begin at the intersection of Santa Monica Boulevard and Fairfax Avenue. Participants are encouraged to bring portraits of family members, friends, or loved ones who participated in WWII. *Parking will not be provided.*

Veterans who are participating in the march may ride on a bus that departs from Plummer Park at 9:00 AM. To RSVP for the bus please call: 323-848-6501 or e-mail: westhollywoodrussianfest@weho.org.

Following the Immortal Regiment march, three memorial benches will be unveiled to kick off the annual Victory in Europe Day celebration. Three West Hollywood community members and veterans of WWII, Mr. Yefim Stolyarsky, Mr. Efim Kutz, and Mr. Vladimir Barkon will be honored through the unveiling of these memorial benches. The three significant community leaders helped lead the Los Angeles Association of Veterans of WWII, an organization founded in 1977 in a WWII veteran's West Hollywood apartment as a way to socialize and preserve the legacy of veterans. Their accomplishments are invaluable to West Hollywood and the Russian-speaking community. At the meeting on December 19, 2017, the Russian Advisory Board voted to approve benches with a memorial plaque in honor of these men and their service to the community.

Sunday, May 6, 2018 Schedule of Events:

9:30 AM – Immortal Regiment March – Begins at intersection of Santa Monica Boulevard and Fairfax Avenue

10:00 AM – Memorial Bench Unveiling – Plummer Park, Fiesta Hall (7377 Santa Monica Boulevard)

11:30 AM – Victory in Europe Day Memorial Celebration - Plummer Park, Fiesta Hall (7377 Santa Monica Boulevard)

Bring portraits of your family members, friends, or loved ones who participated in World War II. Please do not bring flags and other posters to the march! Please gather at the intersection of Santa Monica Boulevard and Fairfax Avenue (Whole Foods Plaza side). Parking will not be provided. Parking at Whole Foods Plaza is prohibited!

The march will start at 9:30 sharp, please plan accordingly and arrive early.

Veterans and people who are unable to walk and who are participating in the march may ride on a bus, which departs from Plummer Park (South Parking Lot off Santa Monica Blvd) at 9:00 AM. To get a ride on a bus you need to RSVP at 323-848-6501.

After the march, people may gather, lay flowers and wreaths at the Veterans Memorial in Plummer Park to be followed by a Victory in Europe Day Memorial Celebration at **11:30 AM** in Fiesta Hall, Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90046.

For questions and to RSVP for the bus, please call: 323-848-6501 or e-mail: westhollywoodrussianfest@weho.org

