

Huntington Beach Council On Aging 2023 SINGLE-DAY TOURS



Trip registration is available Monday- Friday in the Travel and Resource Room at the Senior Center in Central Park. Unless otherwise noted trips depart from the Huntington Beach Central Library Theater parking lot on Goldenwest and Talbert next to the Central Library. All trips will require proof of vaccination at time of registration and during the trip until further notice. For any travel and trips related questions please contact the Resource Room at (714) 374-1572



Coronado Enchantment Guided Tour of the Hotel Del Coronado, New Hotel Del Coronado Museum & Coronado Village Wednesday, May 31, 2023

Today we escape to Coronado, the picturesque island located across the bay from downtown San Diego. This historic resort city is nicknamed "The Crown City," since Coronado is Spanish for "crowned one." We'll enjoy time at leisure for browsing and lunch on your own along Orange Avenue in the historic Coronado Village. These three, walkable blocks feature a variety of shops, restaurants

and casual eateries. This afternoon we'll visit the legendary Hotel Del Coronado, the National Historic Landmark and cultural icon that evokes the legacy and magic of two centuries. For 135 years, the Hotel del Coronado has captured the hearts and imaginations of all who have walked through its doors – and now the next chapter has begun with the completion of a \$400 million renovation in 2022! The iconic resort's rich heritage and architecture will come to life during an in-depth, docent-led walking tour. You'll be transported back in time by the welcoming Front Porch with rocking chairs, colorful stained-glass windows and grand Victorian lobby. Stroll through the lush Garden Patio surrounded by spectacular Queen Anne Victorian architecture. Walk through exclusive areas not accessible to the public like the historic Power Plant and the hidden tunnel. Following the tour, enjoy time at leisure to soak in its timeless charm, idyllic oceanfront setting, unique shops and the new Hotel del Coronado Museum located in the completely restored and renovated Ice House. This masonry structure once served as the ice-making center for the entire island and now features permanent exhibits and rotating displays highlighting The Del's heritage, including a courtyard with reclaimed bricks from original 1910 Industrial Buildings. *Member Price: \$119; Non-Member Price: \$129 • Depart: 8:30 a.m. • Return 6:30 p.m.*



Reagan Presidential Library & Museum With Auschwitz: Not Long Ago. Not Far Away. Exhibit Saturday, June 17, 2023

Today we travel to Simi Valley and the state-of-the-art Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, featuring 18 galleries that pay tribute to America's 40th president. Visit a full-scale replica of Reagan's Oval Office, see a piece of the Berlin Wall, explore interactive exhibits, read letters written by President Reagan to Nancy, pay your respects at their final resting place and

admire spectacular views of the Conejo Valley. The Air Force One Pavilion features a presidential limousine, a secret service vehicle, a Marine One helicopter, the world's first operational stealth aircraft, the F-117 Nighthawk, and a walk-through of the Air Force One airplane that served seven U.S. Presidents. On view for a limited time is the traveling exhibition, Auschwitz: Not Long Ago. Not Far Away. that features an extraordinary collection of items from one of the darkest chapters in human history. Making its only stop on the West Coast, this exhibit features more than 700 objects that were direct witness to the horrors of the Holocaust and Auschwitz-Birkenau, Nazi Germany's largest concentration camp. These items, assembled for the first time in history, were brought together from the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum as well as more than 20 institutions and museums around the world with a clear goal - to honor the victims, understand how such a place came into existence and consider how its existence determines our present worldview. On display will be personal belongings from Auschwitz dwellers – both victims and perpetrators – such as suitcases, eyeglasses and shoes, along with other artifacts from the camp including concrete fence posts, fragments of a prisoner barrack, a desk and other possessions of the longest serving Auschwitz commandant, a gas mask used by the SS, and an original Model 2 freight train car used for the deportation of Jews to Auschwitz. Included with your admission is timed entry into the Auschwitz exhibit as well as an audio tour for both the Auschwitz exhibition and the museum's permanent exhibits. Enjoy approximately 5 hours at leisure with lunch on your own at the museum café. The Auschwitz exhibition is recommended for ages 12 and over. Although the history of Auschwitz is challenging, this exhibition is designed not only with profound respect for the victims, but also for visitors. Care has been taken to ensure that there are no gratuitous depictions of violence. Every effort has been made to consider the emotional impact this story can have, so that visitors can safely explore this history, seek to understand it better, and to make meaning for themselves. Member Price: \$109; Non-Member Price: \$119 • Depart: 9:00 a.m. • Return: 6:00 p.m.



The Broad, Books & Bunker Hill
The Broad & The Last Bookstore
With Grand Central Market & Angels Flight Railway
& Included Ice Cream Treat
Thursday, June 29, 2023

This new downtown L.A. experience features four fun and unique destinations providing for a day full of eclectic art, exotic cuisine, an eccentric bookstore and an historic experience! Enjoy time at leisure exploring The Broad, the \$140 million contemporary art museum financed by billionaire philanthropists and art collectors Eli and Edythe Broad. This repository for some of the most expensive artwork on the planet – most of it from the Broads' personal collection of over 2,000 pieces - is one of the most prominent holdings of contemporary art worldwide and includes pieces by Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein. With only 250 pieces on display at any one time, each visit here presents new opportunities to question, debate and appreciate. We continue to Grand Central Market, the legendary landmark that brings together the exotic cuisines and cultures of L.A. Enjoy lunch on your own, as well as an included ice cream treat, at this 106year-old downtown landmark. We'll take a ride on historic Angels Flight Railway, the world's shortest railway. This L.A. Historic-Cultural Landmark since 1962 originally opened in 1901. It's estimated the recently restored, 122-year-old funicular has given more than 100 million rides to the top of Bunker Hill on its hillside track! We'll top off the day with a visit to The Last Bookstore, the largest new and used bookstore in California! This iconic, 22,000 square foot book emporium features a record store, comic bookstore, 5 art studios, an epic yarn shop, a famous book tunnel, a mammoth head, a variety of unexpected nooks of funkiness and tons of books...tons. Oh, and it's all housed in a 100-year-old bank building, so there are vaults and perhaps even ghosts! In the rare event that Angels Flight is not operating, we will instead visit another iconic site. Member Price: \$99; Non-Member Price: \$109 • Depart: 9:45 a.m. • Return: 5:30 p.m.



Tribute to The Beatles Private Concert Starring William Florian With Included Lunch at Lawry's The Prime Rib in Beverly Hills Wednesday, July 12, 2023

William Florian takes the stage at Lawry's The Prime Rib in Beverly Hills today for this exclusive, upbeat musical tribute to one of the most beloved bands of our time, The Beatles. Former member of the Grammy-winning American folk music group, The New Christy Minstrels, William Florian looked up to and admired The Beatles and today he pays tribute to them as he did during his memorable

tribute shows to John Denver in 2021 and Neil Diamond in 2022. He'll weave together amusing stories, anecdotes, and humor as he honors the life, music and achievements of The Beatles, who altered the course of rock 'n roll history when they burst onto the scene with "Love Me Do" in 1962. Their influence on youth and popular culture was immense, and their impact is still felt today. You'll find yourself singing along with Florian as he performs The Beatles' most celebrated songs such as "All You Need is Love," "Eight Days a Week," "A Hard Day's Night," "Yellow Submarine," "Michelle," "Can't Buy Me Love," "Hey Jude" and many more. Taking place one-day only, this private concert will be held at the award-winning Lawry's The Prime Rib in Beverly Hills. This dining legend is a place of grand style – where classic elegance and luxurious comfort meet. Prior to the matinee performance, we'll enjoy an included early lunch (approximately 11:00 a.m.) with choice of entrée (roasted prime rib, fresh grilled salmon or mushroom ravioli (vegetarian), along with Lawry's famous spinning bowl salad and dessert. *Please provide an entrée selection for each guest at the time of booking.* Member Price: \$196; Non-Member Price: \$206 • Depart: 10:00 a.m.. • Return: 3:30 p.m.



A *Pisa* Italy L.A.'s Italian Treasures with Local Guide Curt Thursday, July 20, 2023

Today we are joined by professional local guide, Curt, who is a history buff with an expertise on the evolution of Los Angeles and especially loved by our travelers for his charismatic personality and fun stories. Los Angeles is home to the nation's fifth-largest Italian population, and the Italian presence in the American West pre-dates our nation's founding and was instrumental in the

development of L.A. as one of the world's great cities. This tour highlights the Italian-inspired treasures around Los Angeles and emphasizes the incredible influence that Italian culture has had on the city's architecture, fashion, art, food and cinema. In downtown L.A., we'll visit the Italian American Museum located in the Italian Hall – the oldest remaining building from L.A.'s historic Little Italy. The museum features interactive cultural and historical displays focused on the struggles and triumphs of Italian immigrants and their descendants and highlights the significant contributions they've made to the city's vibrant culture. Enjoy an early lunch (approximately 11:00 a.m.) on your own at the San Antonio Winery's cafeteria-style, Maddalena's Restaurant – a true gem tucked away in a nondescript industrial area of Los Angeles. It has been serving delicious Italian food in a festive atmosphere for over 100 years! This afternoon we'll visit St. Peter's Italian Catholic Church, a beloved landmark that has been serving Los Angeles' Italian community since 1904. This stunning example of Italian Renaissance architecture boasts ornate stained-glass windows and intricately carved wooden doors. But there's more than just its physical beauty – our

knowledgeable guide will share stories of the early Italian immigrants who helped build the church and shape the Italian American community in Los Angeles. At the peaceful Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Glendale, we'll view reproductions of artwork of two of Italy's greatest artists – Leonardo da Vinci's stunning stained-glass masterpiece of *The Last Supper*, and Michelangelo's most famous sculptures. In beautiful Old Pasadena, we'll visit St. Andrew's Church – one of the oldest Catholic churches in L.A. County and an architectural treasure that dates to 1886. The structure features elements dating back to the early days of Christianity in Rome, including a Romanesque bell tower that is visible for miles – it's one of Pasadena's most iconic landmarks. The church houses gorgeous murals like the ones that grace cathedrals in Rome, and features an historic 1908 Italian Hall which celebrates the Italian American experience. *All visits subject to change.* Member Price: \$119; Non-Member Price: \$129 • Depart: 8:30 a.m. • Return: 5:30 p.m.



Pageant of the Masters At Laguna Beach's Festival of Arts Thursday, August 24, 2023

Enjoy an evening under the stars at this popular summer event acclaimed for its awe-inspiring theatrical celebration of tableaux vivants – "living pictures." Celebrating its 90th year, *Pageant of the Masters* is the crown jewel of Laguna Beach's *Festival of Arts* and arguably one of the most unique productions in the world. You'll be both amazed and enchanted by this theatrical

masterpiece that features "art that lives and breathes" with live models coated in layers of body paint climbing into life-sized paintings and sculptures on the stage to recreate famous works of art. The "living artwork" becomes fully alive with sophisticated lighting, stage illusions, a full professional orchestra, live original narration, and multiple stages within the Irvine Bowl, a 2,600-seat outdoor amphitheater. The 2023 production, entitled *Art Colony: In the Company of Artists*, acknowledges the deep connections of the Festival and Pageant to the early artists who settled in Laguna Beach and will also feature other memorable stories of artists assisting one another through cooperation and fellowship in vastly different eras and circumstances around the world. Enjoy time at leisure prior to the show browsing the Festival of Arts Fine Art Show. Eat prior to departure, bring a picnic, or purchase food available on-site. Binoculars are recommended and available for rent on-site to help see detail on stage. Main tier-level seating. Price: \$129; Non-Member Price: \$139 • Depart: 6:00 p.m. • Return: 11:30 p.m.



Where the Turf Meets the Surf Thoroughbred Racing at Del Mar Thursday, August 31, 2023

Escape to where the "turf meets the surf" and enjoy an exciting day of thoroughbred horse racing at the beautiful Del Mar Thoroughbred Club. We'll motorcoach south along the coast to the track, which features a stunning location and views of the Pacific Ocean. Be part of the magic and nostalgia of this long-time horse race tradition dating back to 1937 when Bing Crosby greeted the first guests, and *Seabiscuit* won by a nose in the infamous race in 1938! The summer season

at Del Mar features the nation's top racehorses, trainers and jockeys, and plenty of fun at this favorite summertime event! Your track experience includes admission, shaded clubhouse seating and a race program. We'll arrive to the track early so you can enjoy lunch on your own before the first race. After the seventh race, we'll head for home. Price: \$89; Non-Member Price: \$99 • Depart: 11:15 a.m. • Return: 7:30 p.m.