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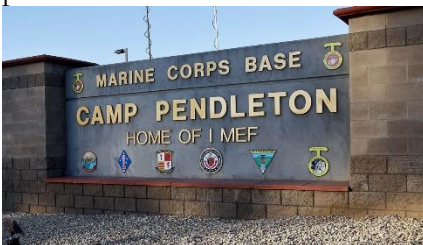
Colorful Songs Revue

Luck of the Irish with Included Lunch & Wine

Saturday, March 16, 2024

Gather up your “lucky charms” and get your “smiling Irish eyes” onboard for this St. Patrick’s Day tradition that celebrates popular Irish music and dance. This Irish celebration features the incredible Colorful Songs Revue cast in their Irish costumes entertaining us with stories, comedy, songs and dances including popular Irish songs like “Danny Boy,” “McNamara’s Band,” “When Irish Eyes Are Smiling,” “My Wild Irish Rose,” “Molly Malone,” “Harrigan,” “The Band Played On” and scenes from the Broadway shows *Brigadoon*, *Finian’s Rainbow* and

more! Enjoy an included three-course waiter-served luncheon with choice of entrée (corned beef and cabbage, roasted chicken, vegetarian pasta or vegan tartare) along with traditional sides, ice cream sundae, and wine, along with sing-alongs, door prizes and more – for a shamrockin’ good afternoon! Presented at Almansor Court, a beautiful special events venue in Alhambra. Member Price: \$156; Non-Member Price: \$166 ● Depart: 10:30 a.m. ● Return: 5:00 p.m.



Tacos, Marines & Tiny Machines

Camp Pendleton Ranch House & Miniature Museum

With Included Taco Lunch

Thursday, March 28, 2024

Of all the Marine Corps bases throughout the world, Camp Pendleton perhaps has the most intriguing past – one filled with historical charm and vibrancy. Spanish explorers, colorful politicians, herds of thundering cattle, skillful

vaqueros and tough Marines have all contributed to the history of this spectacular piece of land. This fascinating new tour provides the unique opportunity to travel into Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton’s interior for a guided tour of the Santa Margarita Ranch House, Bunkhouse Museum and Ranch House Chapel – the oldest structure on the entire base and a National Historic Site. The 8,500 square-foot house, built in 1827 on 21 acres, is a stunning visual example of early California architecture and over the years has been home to some of California’s most famous families, including Pio Pico (who lost it in a horse bet!) and the families of 35 Marine Corps generals. Historic artifacts and exhibits include early ranch equipment, photographs of President Roosevelt’s historic visit, antiques donated by Anthony Quinn during the filming of *Guadalcanal Diary* and furnishings of the Rancho period. Then we’ll enjoy an included taco bar buffet lunch with dessert at an award-winning family-owned Mexican restaurant located in Carlsbad that has been serving up authentic Mexican food inspired by generations of family cooking for more than 40 years! This afternoon, we’ll enjoy a docent-guided tour of the Miniature Engineering Craftsmanship Museum – a *large* museum featuring *tiny* feats of engineering! This impressive collection showcases the “best of the best” in model engineering – from crafting model cars, trains, engines, and clocks – you’ll be amazed at the precision and detail involved in each tiny machine. *This tour involves moderate walking over uneven terrain. When booking, provide your full legal name as it appears on your driver’s license or other government-issued photo identification that you will be presenting to Camp Pendleton security on the day of the tour. A roster of names and related security information must be submitted on February 26th with no additions or changes allowed after that deadline.* Member Price: \$136; Non-Member Price: \$146 ● Depart: 8:15 a.m. ● Return: 6:00 p.m.

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Descanso & Degas

Descanso Gardens & Norton Simon Museum

Thursday, April 11, 2024

Escape to the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains during what is a normally a delightful time of year to discover internationally renowned gardens and spectacular art! Secluded in a lovely setting in La Cañada Flintridge, Descanso Gardens' secluded, lush and dense 150 acres features over 1,000,000 plants, nine botanical collections, a redwood forest, streams, a lake, a bird sanctuary and at this time of year is typically home to blooms of roses, azaleas, irises, wildflowers and California natives. The 5-acre Rose Garden contains more than 1,600 roses representing centuries of horticultural history with significant collections of species, old garden and modern roses arranged in theme gardens. The tranquil Japanese Garden features plants native to Asia, an arched bridge and shaded paths along a koi-filled stream along with a traditional teahouse. Enjoy ample time at leisure to browse the gardens, modern art gallery, the two-story, 22-room Boddy Mansion and gift shop with lunch on your own at The Market, offering grab-and-go dining options. This afternoon we'll visit Pasadena's beautiful Norton Simon Museum, known around the world as one of the most remarkable private art collections ever assembled. Over a 30-year period, industrialist Norton Simon amassed an astonishing collection of European art from the Renaissance to the 20th century including the finest collection of Impressionist and Post-Impressionist works on the West Coast. The museum features over 100 pieces by Edgar Degas including paintings, drawings and sculpture as well as works by Raphael, Rembrandt, Cézanne, Manet, Monet, Matisse, Renoir, Van Gogh, Gauguin, Picasso and Warhol. Enjoy time at leisure to browse the museum's collection as well as the sculpture garden that is filled with stately trees, colorful shrubs and flowers and a lush pond with several varieties of water lilies surrounding meandering walkways and some of the museum's most important sculptures. *Bring your own earphones and access the museum's free audio tour on your smartphone to enhance your experience.* Member Price: \$99; Non-Member Price: \$109 ● Depart: 9:00 a.m. ● Return: 5:30 p.m.



Art Masters & Mariachis

L.A. Art Tour & The Broad with L.A. Guide Curt

With Included Dinner & Mariachis at Casa Sanchez

Friday, April 26, 2024

Get ready for an unforgettable journey through the vibrant art and culture of Los Angeles accompanied by professional L.A. guide Curt. We'll begin with a captivating exploration of the city's dynamic art scene, exploring multiple neighborhoods including the Civic Center, the Figueroa Corridor and the burgeoning Arts District. Formerly barren industrial areas have been transformed into thriving hubs of creativity, teeming with art studios, lofts, galleries and striking street art. Each installation features a unique history and provides deep insights into downtown L.A.'s ever-evolving artistic landscape. Get your best shot with the latest public art including breathtaking statues, sculptures and murals that pay tribute to iconic L.A. sports legends like Kobe Bryant, Mookie Betts, Wayne Gretzky and others. 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. This evening we'll arrive at Casa Sanchez, the upscale Mexican restaurant featuring unique family recipes that have been passed down through generations. After an included three-course dinner with choice of entrée, we'll experience a live mariachi performance. Sit back and enjoy the soul-stirring melodies of a mariachi band featuring violinists adorned in silver-spangled trajes de charro (horsemen's uniforms) of black, white, orange, and green, a guitarist and a trumpeter – each contributing to create a mesmerizing musical symphony. Member Price: \$179; Non-Member Price: \$189 ● Depart: 1:00 p.m. ● Return: 9:00 p.m.