

Newsbriefs

LIBRARY BRANCH FOLK ART:

Three Los Angeles Public Library branches are among the 25 venues across L.A. County displaying "Folk Art Everywhere" exhibits in support of a community initiative by the Crafts and Folk Art Museum (CAFAM) that uses art and culture to build common ground and inspire exploration of diverse communities and neighborhoods.

The exhibit is on view at these libraries branches:

- Edendale, 2011 W. Sunset Blvd., (213) 207-3000;
- Little Tokyo, 203 S. Los Angeles St., (213) 612-0525; and
- Pio Pico-Koreatown, 694 S. Oxford Ave., (213) 368-7647.

The cultural artworks provided by CAFAM will rotate every three months to unexpected public spaces—restaurants, parks, coffee shops, bookstores, and cultural centers—places where people naturally gather throughout the city, said Heidi Zeller, an CAFAM spokesperson.

"Think of it as a cultural treasure hunt that releases beautiful and curious art objects from private collections and installs them in unexpected public spaces," Zeller said. "These attention-grabbing artworks represent cultures from around the world, and are drawn from the museum, local artists and private collections. Admission is free to all sites."

A fuller experience of culture is planned through a series of "Happenings" – poetry readings, documentary film screenings, intimate musical performances, and festive cultural block parties that bring the folks together in an artful exchange of stories. For more information and a map of locations for "Folk Art Everywhere," visit www.folkarteverywhere.com.

At the branch libraries, patrons can view the "Folk Art Everywhere" exhibits free during library hours: Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, noon – 8 p.m., and closed on Sunday and holidays.



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BIKE RACE FOR KRISTINA:

The LAPD held a bike race fundraiser for Retired Officer Kristina Ripatti-Pearce, who was injured in the line of duty by a suspect's gunfire in June 2006.

The event was held May 10.

The event raised funds for retired LAPD Officer Kristina Ripatti-Pearce for her participation in the Race Across America (RAAM), as part of a four-member relay team. Ripatti-Pearce agreed to be the team's captain and race on her hand cycle alongside three other able-bodied cyclists in a challenge to ride 3,000 miles across 14 states within the official time of 216 hours, or less than nine days. Proceeds from the race will benefit a charity started by a group of Southeast Division officers to provide scholarships for inner city youths.

The race is scheduled to take place June 12 in Oceanside, and end in Annapolis, Md. RAAM is the nation's longest running and transcontinental bicycle race.

At the fundraiser, food and raffle tickets were sold. Raffle winners will be announced June 5.

ZOO

One Sheep, Two Sheep

Zoo announces the birth of a baby bighorn sheep.

Photo by Tad Motoyama, LA Zoo

On April 26, a female desert bighorn sheep was born at the Los Angeles Zoo. The healthy newborn lamb is on exhibit with her parents in the North American area of the Zoo.

As male desert bighorn sheep mature, they develop massive spiraled horns that may add up to one third of their total body weight. Females have much smaller horns. However, both sexes have excellent vision and hearing as well as an innate ability for climbing rugged terrain.

In the wild, a herd is comprised of females and their lambs. When the males reach the age of two, they separate from the herd and set off by themselves in bachelor groups.

Desert bighorn sheep are native to the high mountains and deserts of the southwestern United States and northern Mexico. Preferring to reside in places with rocky terrain and access to water, they completely avoid forested areas. Bighorn sheep can be seen in our local San Gabriel Mountains, though their population is threatened by many factors such as the recent Station Fire.

"This species is considered threatened across its range," says Curator of Mammals Jeff Holland. "Population is declining due to drought, predators, disease from domestic sheep and goats, and an inability to move from one mountain range to another because of over development by humans."

The L.A. Zoo participates in a cooperative program alongside the San Diego Wild Animal Park, Phoenix Zoo and Living Desert in Palm Desert to ensure the population of these majestic and symbolic animals.



The bighorn sheep -- Mom and baby.

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