

REC AND PARKS

Happy Birthday, Phineas

Banning Museum to host big-band concert.



The historic Banning Museum.

The Friends of Banning Museum welcomes the Fabulous Esquires Big Band, who will perform on the front porch of the historic Banning Museum Aug. 18 from 6 to 9 p.m. The Fabulous Esquires Big Band, which was started in 1958, is a 17-piece swing band with two vocalists.

The third annual Phineas Banning Birthday Concert celebration commemorates the birthday of Phineas Banning, who played a key role in developing the world-renowned Port of Los Angeles. Concert including dinner, desert, dancing and dance lessons with a professional, wine, reserved seating and VIP gated parking is \$75. Concert-only tickets, including dance lessons and dessert, bring-your-own dinner, blanket or chair and enjoy a picnic inside the gates on the front lawn of the historic Banning Museum is \$25. Swing dance attire not required but admired. Photos from last years' birthday celebration may be viewed on our Website, www.thebanningmuseum.org under "Event Photos."

The Banning Museum is at 401 East "M" St. in Wilmington. For more information, call (310) 548-2005 or visit www.esquires.org for more information about the band.

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New Banning Exhibit

The Banning Museum to hold grand opening celebration for new exhibition on transportation.

Friends of Banning Museum will unveil the new permanent exhibition, *Improbable Gateway: The Los Angeles Transportation Legacy*, Aug. 20 with a festive grand opening celebration. The event will be held from noon to 4 p.m. at the Banning Museum, 401 East "M" St., Wilmington.

In addition to complimentary tours of the museum and exhibition, families will enjoy a fun-filled afternoon featuring: free hot dog BBQ lunch served by United Firefighters of Los Angeles City Local 112, children's craft project, Victorian musical entertainment and reenactment performers, historic roses lecture, interactive miniature train display, children's Plein Air art show, and a special exhibit on the historic Red Cars of Los Angeles. Also scheduled to appear is the Wells Fargo Stagecoach.

Guests will be among the very first to see *Improbable Gateway: The Los Angeles Transportation Legacy*. Artifacts, photos, models, interactive features and narrative depict the development of

staging and freighting lines, railroads and a deep-water harbor in Los Angeles. Museum Director Michael Sanborn says, "This is a remarkable story of how the entrepreneurial spirit, perseverance and vision of pioneering individuals like Phineas Banning helped Los Angeles end her geographic isolation and become a center of commerce and influence." Visitors will also enjoy visiting the Harlyne and Kenneth Norris Visitor Center, the Harlyne and Kenneth Norris Museum Shop, and the beautiful Howard Rose Garden's "garden-within-a-garden" featuring antique roses of the Victorian era.

For more details about this event or The Banning Museum, contact Friends of Banning Museum at (310) 548-2005. Information on the Museum can also be found at www.thebanningmuseum.org.

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Friends of Banning Museum and the City of Los Angeles, Department of Recreation and Parks present the

Grand Opening of the New Exhibition
Improbable Gateway
 The Los Angeles Transportation Legacy
Saturday, August 20, 2011, Noon - 4:00 p.m.
At The Banning Museum

Join us for a FREE, fun-filled afternoon, with:

★ Tours of the Museum and the new exhibition	★ Interactive miniature train display
★ Hot dog BBQ lunch	★ Children's Plein Air art show
★ Craft project for children	★ Special exhibit on historic Red Cars of Los Angeles
★ Musical entertainment	★ Historic roses lecture

★ And scheduled to appear, the Wells Fargo Stagecoach!

Can an exhibition be educational and fun?
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Improbable Gateway:
The Los Angeles Transportation Legacy
 is all about **trails, rails and sails** – the stagecoaches, railroads and deep-water harbor that helped connect Los Angeles to the rest of the country and make her what she is today!

For more information, call 310-548-2005 or visit www.thebanningmuseum.org
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SEASON OPENING • JUNE 21, 2011



The Kyoto Grand Hotel and Gardens, is happy to announce the season opening of the Pangea Garden. A dazzling hip-casual bar and lounge with amazing city views and a laidback atmosphere, this rooftop lounge promises an escape from the stuffy L.A. bar scene with a refreshing come-as-you-are attitude, whether that means your evening best, straight-from-business attire, or a pair of comfortable jeans and a T. Anyone who likes to socialize, sample delicious cocktails and have fun is welcome.

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