

THIS MONTH AT THE

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

A REC AND PARKS FACILITY

Salt Marsh Open House

Saturday, October 12th 9 a.m. – Noon

Join CMA educators to learn about the Salinas de San Pedro wetlands habitat at Cabrillo Beach by using binoculars and microscopes to observe live animals. Visitors can view the birds of the marsh, learn about native plants and observe the changes in the tides.

Free and open to all. Parking: \$2.

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ANIMAL SERVICES/PUBLIC WORKS

Shelter Wins Design Award

South shelter wins major national architecture award for excellence.



The Animal Services South LA Shelter.

Story and photos courtesy Public Works

Animal Services' South Shelter, whose design was managed by Public Works/Engineering, received the prestigious 2013 American Architecture Award. The award, which recognizes excellence in architecture and urbanism in the United States and abroad, is sponsored by the Chicago Athenaeum: Museum of Architecture and Design, the European Center for Architecture, Art, Design and Urban Studies, and the Metropolitan Arts Press. As an award winner, the animal care facility's design will be exhibited with the other honorees at the 14th International Biennial of Architecture Buenos Aires in September and October.

"We build more than just municipal facilities, we build municipal facilities that enhance the quality of life of their communities and that

help transform Los Angeles into the world's most livable city," said City Engineer Gary Lee Moore. "As the City's project manager for the new animal center, we were fortunate to have strong partners in Animal Services, the Bureau of Contract Administration and the local community, and we couldn't be happier for our architect, RA-DA."

"The new Los Angeles Animal Services Shelter, Chesterfield Square in South Los Angeles, gives our staff and volunteers the opportunity to showcase fantastic shelter animals in an inviting environment," said Brenda F. Barnette, General Manager, Animal Services. "We believe that this facility will allow us to provide better animal care and to reach the local community and beyond as Los Angeles becomes the most humane City anywhere."

The center, at 1850 W. 60th St., Los Angeles, is a green building and received a LEED

(Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. With 258 kennels, a community cat room, a small animal room, and an exotic reptile room, the 68,000-square-foot facility is designed to care for a wide variety of pets. Features are integrated into the building's design to facilitate pet adoptions and support responsible pet ownership. These features include training and behavioral assessment rooms, an animal training field and a "get acquainted yard."

The \$13 million construction project was funded by Proposition F – Facility Bond funds. Approved by L.A. voters in November 2000, Proposition F authorized the issuance of \$532.6 million in general obligation bonds to finance the construction and rehabilitation of Animal Shelters and Fire Stations throughout the City of Los Angeles.



The shelter's outdoor spaces are nicely manicured.



The shelter was recognized by an architecture association.

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