





# Department of Recreation & Parks



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# NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



www.laparks.org/scc/las-palmas



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#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm Saturday - Sunday Closed

#### Las Palmas Senior Center Membership

By becoming a member at Las Palmas Senior Center, you gain access to a wide variety of exclusive benefits including exclusive discounted rates on programs, activities, and trips. In order to participate in any class, event, trip, presentation, activity, or program at Las Palmas Senior Center, you must become a member.

Membership Cost: \$25

#### Las Palmas Senior Center Team

#### Facility Director

Damon Hooks

#### Recreation Assistants

Knarik Kirakosyan - Lethvia Lopez - Antonin Umurzakov - Hero Horner - Andy Herrera - Marla Hamaya - Victor Sanchez

#### **Recreation Instructors**

Beatriz Vasquez - James Murray - Daliana Lopez -Laura Black - Deon Williams

#### Maintenance Supervisor

Luis Aguilar

Ground Caretaker

Orpha Maldonado

#### Park Advisory Board

Karen La Croix - President

Mireille Forcier - Vice President

Deloris Cunningham - Secretary

Dorothy Conte - Treasurer

Kay A, Brian B, Nikki D, Betty R Michael S - Board Members

#### Mayor

Karen Bass

#### Council Member 13th District

Hugo Soto Martinez

#### Recreation and Parks Comissioners

President - Renata Simril

Vice President - Luis Sanchez

Comissioners - Fiona Hutton, Marie Lloyd, Benny Tran

#### Griffith Metro Region Team

Superintendent - Anita Meacham Principal Rec Supervisor I - Leslie Perez Principal Rec Supervisor II - Kimberly Simonet Recreation Supervisor -Central - Jaqueline Lopez

#### Recreation & Parks Administration

Exec Officer & Chief of Staff - Matthew Rudnick General Manager - Jimmy Kim Ass. General Manager Rec Branch - Chinyere Stoneham Ass. General Manager Opr Branch - Brenda Aguirre

#### Activities & Programs may be subject to change without prior notice

Persons with disabilities are welcome to participate in our propgrams. Reasonable accommodations can be made with prior arrangemnts. Please be aware that some accommodations may take up to 30 days. Please submit your request as soon as possible

# Resource Directory

Emergencies 911

LAPD Non-Emergency 1-877-275-5273 LAPD Hollywood Division 213-972-2971 City of LA - City Services 311

- · Bulky Items
- · Graffiti Removal
- Potholes
- Homeless Encampments

Department of Aging 1-800-510-2020 CAL Fresh 1-866-613-3777 LADWP 1-800-342-5397 Parking Enforcement 1-866-561-9742 Council District 13 Office 213-473-7013 St Barnabas Senior Services 323-957-2222 Bet Tzedek Legal Services 323-939-0506

Social Security 24hr Service 800-772-1234

## LUNCH PROGRAM

Las Palmas Senior Center offers ready to eat lunch meals thanks to:



Dine In or Grab n Go Registration Time: 9:30am-11am Lunch Service: 11:30am-12:30pm Voluntary Contribution: \$2.00 Program Questions?: 323-957-2222







# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

90+ Legacy Luncheon Thursday Nov 13

Field Trip: Camarillo Outlets Tuesday Nov 18

Thanksgiving Potluck Friday Nov 21

## **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCMENTS**

Las Palmas' FALL season has begun!
Registration for paid fitness classes is now open. Members pay just \$10, which covers classes until the end of DECEMBER. Nonmembers pay \$60. When registering, let the staff know which FREE classes you're joining as well. Payment is required before participation!



# DAY OF THE DEAD

#### What is the Day of the Dead?

The Day of the Dead is a Mexican holiday where families welcome back the souls of their deceased relatives for a brief reunion that includes food, drink and celebration... the holiday is celebrated each year from October 31-November 2. According to tradition, the gates of heaven are opened at midnight on October 31 and the spirits of children can rejoin their families for 24 hours. The spirits of adults can do the same on November 2.

#### What Are Some Day of the Dead Traditions?

On the Day of the Dead, it's believed that the border between the spirit world & the real world dissolves. During this brief period, the souls of the dead awaken & return to the living world to feast, drink, dance & play music with their loved ones. In turn, the living family members treat the deceased as honored guests, & leave the deceased's favorite foods & other offerings on the ofrendas. Ofrendas can be decorated with candles, bright marigolds called cempasuchil alongside food like stacks of tortillas & fruit. People commonly wear skull masks & eat sugar candy molded into the shape of skulls. The pan de ánimas of All Souls Day rituals in Spain is reflected in pan de muerto, the traditional sweet baked good.





# C L A S S S C H E D U L E



| Session = 3 Months | PROGRAM                      | TIME          | NON-MEMBER FEE | MEMBER FEE   | DATES            |
|--------------------|------------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|
| M                  | Performance Workshop         | 11:15a-12:45p | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Dance Fitness                | 1p-2p         | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Creative Crafts              | 3p-5p         | N/A            | FREE         | 11/1/25-12/31/25 |
| T                  | Solo Performance             | 11a-12p       | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Learning/Playing Card Games  | 11a-2p        | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Table Tennis & Billiards 101 | 2p-4p         | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
| H                  | Tech Assistance              | 10a-12p       | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Knitting & Crochet Club      | 1:30p-2:30p   | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Chair Exercise               | 2:30p-3:30p   | \$60/Session   | \$10/Session | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Old School Movie Nights      | 4p            | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Gardening Class              | 9a-11a        | N/A 🕌 🛎        | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
| TH                 | Performance Workshop         | 11:15a-12:45p | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Guided Meditation            | 1p-2p         | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Table Tennis & Billiards 101 | 2p-4p         | N/A 😿          | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Commercial Acting 4 Seniors  | 2P-4P         | \$60           | FREE         | 11/3/25-12/18/25 |
|                    |                              |               |                |              |                  |
| F                  | Learning/Playing Dominoes    | 11a-2p        | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Yoga                         | 2:30p-3:30p   | \$60/Session   | \$10/Session | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |
|                    | Friday Night Jam Sandwich    | 4p            | N/A            | FREE         | 10/1/25-12/31/25 |

#### DONATIONS

We rely on the support from people like you to maintain and improve your park, and to offer programs and events that deepen our community's connections to each other.

Please contribute to Las Palmas by scanning the QR code to be directed to the donation site or go to www.laparksfoundation.org. Click on the "Friends of the Park" tab, and find the "Parks" drop down menu. Then select "Las Palmas Senior Center". You can even specify what your would like your donation to contribute too like, programs, office supplies, food, prizes, etc.

We also accept checks sent to: Los Angeles Parks Foundation 2650 N. Commonwealth Ave Los Angeles, CA 90027 | Memo Line: Las Palmas Senior Center The Las Palmas family thanks you for supporting our mission to improve the quality of life for everyone.



#### **VOLUNTEERS**

Las Palmas Senior Center is hosting awesome events for people in the community. Events and programs are being added to our calendar constantly and we could use your help. We are always looking for volunteers to work with us in making our events run smoothly. We also welcome volunteer instructors who want to teach our participants certain skills or classes.



Visit www.laparks.org/volunteerapp to complete and submit your New Volunteer application, or scan the QR Code.

# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

| M  | MONDAY | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY              | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  |
|----|--------|---|------------------------|---|---|
| 3  |        | ELECTION DAY VOTE   | Tech Assistance 10a-2p | TABLE TENNIS 2p-4p  BILLIARDS 2p-4p   | 7   |
| 10 |        | CENTER CLOSED VETERANS DAY  | Tech Assistance 10a-2p | Book Club  LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY  1p-2p  Commercial Acting 4 Seniors 2P-4P | 14  |
| 17 |        | Camarillo Outlets 8:30a   | Tech Assistance 10a-2p | Commercial Acting 4 Seniors 2P-4P   | Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner & Birthday Celebrations |
| 24 |        | Park Advisory Board Meeting 10a Every last Tuesday of the month. All are welcome. | Tech Assistance 10a-2p | CLOSED THANKSGIVING   | CENTER CLOSED                                       |
|    |        |   | DAY OF THE DEAD        |   | NATIONAL<br>STRESS<br>AWARENESS<br>DAY              |

### Always Available Activities

- Ping Pong
- Billiards
- Computer Lab
- Board Games
- Card Games
- Patio Time
- TV Time
- Digital Guidance
- Music

SNACK BAR | 9am-4pm