

CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF  
RECREATION AND PARKS



# WINTER 2026

JANUARY 12 - MARCH 28

REGISTRATION BEGINS  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

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Rustic Canyon  
Recreation Center  
601 Latimer Road, Santa Monica, CA 90402



**SCAN ME**



# A Brief History of Rustic Canyon Recreation Center

“You probably noticed a banner reading ‘Uplifters Ranch’ over Latimer Road as you drove in. That’s because Rustic Canyon Recreation Center once belonged to the Uplifters—a fun-loving group of business and professional men from the Los Angeles Athletic Club.

Originally this land was the site of the nation’s first experimental forestry station, and part of the Edmond Ranch. In 1920 it came on the market, and was purchased by Harry Haldeman as a secluded country site for the Uplifter’s Annual Outing.

The group’s name referred both to the uplifting of the arts, and to the hoisting of cocktails. All members were urged to participate in some creative endeavors sponsored by the Club—chorus, band, drama, and operettas. Their rehearsals culminated in a series of performances at the Annual Outing, a 4-day men-only event each fall.

The Edmond Ranch House served as the Uplifters’ first clubhouse, but was destroyed by fire in 1922. It was replaced by this building, designed by architect William Dodd, complete with large dining room (now the Gallery) and auditorium (Gym) with a stage and large pipe organ. The building was dedicated in September, 1923.

Each member of the Uplifters was allowed to lease a lot for \$100, and many rustic log cabins were built around the clubhouse. Howard Latimer laid out the roads and stone walls, and built the first house (#1 Latimer Road).

By 1927 they had added a swimming pool, tennis courts, riding stables, and a full-fledged polo facility. Then, during the Depression, several of the original members lost their homes. Newcomers, mostly associated with the motion picture industry, built larger, more sophisticated homes. The clubhouse was run for profit by a professional manager, and, with Prohibition ended, liquor was served openly in the ‘Polo Lounge.’

In 1945 the polo field was subdivided by a realtor, and the clubhouse and grounds were sold in 1947 to Greek shipping magnate George Embiracos, who operated the facility as a post racquet club.

Embiracos offered the property for sale in 1953, and with a gift of \$200,000 from Maybell Machris, the Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association purchased the 8-acre site. The SMCAA donated the property, along with the neighboring eucalyptus grove, to the Los Angeles City Department of Recreation and Parks, and on November 19, 1953, Rustic Canyon Recreation Center was born.”

From Pacific Palisades, Where the Mountains Meet the Sea  
By Betty Lou Young, 1983

# Welcome to Rustic Canyon Recreation Center!

Rustic Canyon is a hidden jewel that allows one to experience nature at its finest while enjoying all the features of a traditional park. Rustic Canyon has gone through a rejuvenation. Changes have been made to make Rustic Canyon R. C. your weekly destination.

We truly believe that **PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER**. Our new programs have the focus of community in mind. We are always open to suggestions for upcoming classes and programs that you would like to see. Please send your inquiries to [rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org](mailto:rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org).

Here at Rustic Canyon our goal is to **build community through people, parks and programs**. We will see you at the Canyon!

## Mailing Address

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## Hours of Operation

SUNDAY

OPEN FOR PERMITS ONLY

MONDAY—THURSDAY

9A.M.—9P.M.

FRIDAY

9A.M.—7P.M.

SATURDAY

9A.M.—5P.M.



**Parking lot gates** will be locked at closing time. All cars must vacate the lot by then. If you **car is locked in**, please contact the Office of Public Safety at (213) 978-4670.

## Important Phone Numbers

Council District 11	310-575-8461
Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association	310-454-4448
West Los Angeles LAPD Station	877-ASK-LAPD
LAPD Security Services	213-978-4670
Muni Sports	818-264-5613
Chamber of Commerce	310-459-7963

If you are a person with a disability and require accommodation to participate in a City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks program, service, or activity, requests may be made by calling the facility, or 711 for CA Relay, ten days in advance of the event. We will do our best to fulfill requests with less than ten business days' notice. If a participant requires a one to one aide, requests will be fulfilled within seven business days of receiving required paperwork and documentation needed to issue a Right of Entry Permit to the agency providing the aide.

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

CLASSES THAT HAVE NOT MET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS BY: **January 12, 2026** WILL BE CANCELLED.

Registration for all classes will begin online at 9:00am December 8, 2025. We will not accept registration that is mailed in. Registration will continue until January 12, 2026 or until a class fills. Payment in full may be made by Visa or Mastercard only. Class fees will NOT be prorated. By registering, you understand that you are giving your authorization to participate in the Rustic Canyon Recreation Center programs and all activities therein. You further agree to relieve the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, its officers, agents, and employees from any liability for injury to you and your child(ren) resulting from and/or in connection with activities in this program. You do hereby authorize the City of Los Angeles to act as an agent for you and your child(ren) to consent to any x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis, treatment/hospital care which is deemed advisable by, and is to be rendered under the general or special supervision of any physician and/or surgeon licensed under the provision of the Medicine Practice Act and on the medical staff of licensed hospital, whether such diagnosis or treatment is rendered at the office of said physician or at said hospital. This authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis/treatment, etc, and is given to provide authority to foresaid agent to give specific consent. By participating in our programs, patrons agree to allow the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks and the Rustic Canyon Recreation Center to use photographs, video tapes, and testimonials of participants for use in publicity materials free of any fee or usage charge.

**ONLINE REGISTRATION:** Spaces for any class that does not require instructor approval will be available for online registration on Monday, December 8th at 9:00am.

Please check our website for more information at <https://www.laparks.org/reccenter/rustic-canyon>.

**CLASS INFORMATION:** Classes will run from Monday, January 12, 2026 — Saturday, March 28, 2026 unless otherwise stated. **WE WILL BE CLOSED ON ALL HOLIDAYS.** Staff reserves the right to cancel or combine classes if minimum enrollment is not met. NO enrollment or transfers will be allowed after Monday, January 12, 2026. Students must meet the class age requirements by the beginning date of the session. Staff reserves the right to require proof of age at any time. Make-ups will not be scheduled when class is missed by a student. No refunds and/or credits are given for classes missed. A credit will only be issued if a class is cancelled by the Recreation Center. Parents will be allowed to attend the first class of each session only, unless otherwise stated.

## Winter 2026

Winter Class Registration.....December 8th, 2025

Winter Holiday Magic Event.....December 10th, 2025

**Center CLOSED**.....December 25th, 2025

**Center CLOSED**.....January 1st, 2026

Winter Classes Begin.....January 12th, 2026

**Center CLOSED**.....January 20th, 2026

**Center CLOSED**.....February 17th, 2026

Winter Classes End.....March 28th, 2026



**REFUND POLICY:** Once the session begins at 9:00am on Monday, January 12th refunds will not be issued unless a class is cancelled by Rustic Canyon Recreation Center. Only for special circumstances will a refund be issued minus a non-refundable 15% administration fee which will be assessed by the Rustic Canyon Recreation Center. Changes or transfer per class, sports league, or day camp registration may be assessed additional fees. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Please allow 6 –8 weeks for processing refunds.

## **REGISTER FOR CLASSES BEFORE THE SESSION BEGINS!!!**

Nothing will cancel a good class faster than waiting until the last minute to register. If a class doesn't meet its minimum number of students by the start of a class session it runs the risk of being cancelled before it begins.

## Rustic Canyon Recreation center is GOING GREEN!

We are no longer mailing brochures. Please find extra copies on our website: <https://www.laparks.org/reccenter/rustic-canyon>

## **REFUND POLICY:**

Once the session begins at 9:00am on January 12th, 2026 no refunds will be issued unless a class is cancelled by Rustic Canyon Recreation Center.

Only for special circumstances approved by the Facility Director will a refund be issued, minus a non-refundable 15% administration fee, which will be assessed by the Rustic Canyon Recreation Center.

Changes or transfer per class, sports league, or day camp registration may be assessed additional fees.

We do not allow “testing” of classes prior to registering for them. You must be registered for a class in order to attend.

Please allow 6–8 weeks for processing refunds as there is only one department managing them all and hundreds of City parks who send in requests.



### **DID YOU KNOW...**

There is an LA City App for iPhones and Androids to help make registering for classes and finding information for the various City of Los Angeles Recreation Facilities easier.

iPhone: <https://apps.apple.com/lc/app/la-parks/id1561854950>

Android: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.rap.mobile&hl=en\\_US&gl=US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.rap.mobile&hl=en_US&gl=US)

*We at Rustic Canyon appreciate that this gem of a park is your home away from home. Please work with us to keep our environment clean and beautiful. To our class participants, please make sure to clean up after yourselves, and if you utilize our kitchen please clean up, especially if you use our microwave. Expect to see lots of little changes that we can all enjoy together.*

*Thank you in advance!  
Live Rustic! Play Rustic!*



## How to Create a WebTrac Profile:

- Step #1: Visit [reg.laparks.org](http://reg.laparks.org)
- Step #2: Click on "Create An Account." This will open a new window.
- Step #3: Fill in all required areas with **your** information.
- Step #4: Click "Add New Member" at the bottom of the page if you wish to add someone to your account and fill out the required areas.
- Step #5: If you would like to add an emergency contact, click on "Add New Contact."
- Step #6: When you are done, click "Save" at the bottom of the page. You will automatically be logged in and redirected to the main registration page.



## How to Register for a Class:

- Step #1: Once logged in, you will then select the person(s) you are trying to register.
- Step #2: Select the item(s) you want to pay and add them to cart.
- Step #3: Follow the payment instructions to complete the transaction.

## How to Complete a Permit Payment:

- Step #1: Visit [reg.laparks.org](http://reg.laparks.org)
- Step #2: Click on "My Account."
- Step #3: Select "Pay Old Balances" on the drop down.
- Step #4: Select the item(s) you want to pay and add them to cart.
- Step #5: Follow the payment instructions to complete the transaction.

Please email us at [rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org](mailto:rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org) or call us at (310) 454-5734 if you need further assistance with registration, creating a profile, or completing payment.

Want to stay in the loop of the goings on at  
**Rustic Canyon Recreation Center?**  
Join our emailing list today!  
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# *Holiday Magic*

## STORIES, CRAFTS, & TRAIN RIDES

HOP ABOARD THE  
HOLIDAY TRAIN  
AND FEEL THE  
MAGIC AS A  
GENTLE FLURRY OF  
SNOW FOAM  
DRIFTS THROUGH  
THE AIR

ALL ABOARD PROMPTLY  
AT 7:00 PM

**WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 10TH, 2025**

**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**





# MEET OUR INSTRUCTORS



Anne Sweel, Mature Fitness

Beloved Ann Swell has been teaching Mature Fitness to youthful seniors for over a decade. She teaches all skill levels. If you are recovering from surgery, out of shape or even in a wheelchair this is the class for you. She is kind, passionate, patient and teaches a class that is hailed "perfection" by her students.

Cassandra Austin, Ceramics

Cassandra Austin was born in Australia, and has been a criminologist and a novelist - but now she is enthralled with ceramics. Interested in both form and surface design, she focuses on altering wheel-thrown pieces, or hand-building unusual shapes. One of the things she most hopes to achieve with students is helping them find their unique voice in clay.



Lori Mills, Ceramics/Mixed Media Art



Lori is a professional artist (oil painter) and owns an art gallery - Malibu Contemporary - located at the Four Seasons Westlake Village where she represents 15 artists besides herself. Lori has a B.S. from UCLA, a BFA from the San Francisco Art Institute, and an MBA from USD. Lori lives in Malibu and her passion is all things art!!

Scott Jansing, Tennis

Originally from Nashville, Scott has played tennis for and graduated from Auburn University in Alabama. He then went on to teach at various clubs in the Miami and Boca Raton area for over 20 years before coming to Los Angeles 5 years ago. Scott has extensive experience with adult lessons as well as kids group classes. He teaches our Saturday morning kids classes and an adult group class on Tuesday mornings as well as many private classes during the week. Stop by the courts and say hello!



Ped Rouhafza, Tennis



Ped was one of our pros who restarted the Rustic Canyon tennis programs in 2010 and has been a part of Rustic Canyon Recreation Center ever since. Prior to becoming one of our pro's, Ped was a pro at the Riviera Country Club for eight years. He coaches all ages and all levels and enjoys every minute of it. Prior to teaching tennis, Ped played NCAA Division 1 Tennis and was a nationally ranked player. He has extensive experience and knowledge of the game and loves passing that passion onto those who want to learn the beautiful game of tennis.

Elliot Barden, T'ai Chi

Elliot is a 40-year student of two acclaimed T'ai Chi masters, the grandson and great-grandson of Tung Ying Chieh, one of the greatest Yang-style masters of all time. The lineage can be traced back 500 years. We are honored to have him with us.

Elliot has volunteered selflessly at our center for the past 16 years. No matter the class size, everyone receives personalized individual instruction from him. Newcomers to T'ai Chi are especially welcome.





# **ADULT CLASSES**

## ***January 12th—March 28th, 2026***

*No Classes on Monday 1/19 and Monday 2/16*

### **T'ai Chi**

Ancient Chinese low impact exercise for health, strength, and an overall sense of well-being. Has been shown to reduce stress, relieve pain, lower blood pressure, and promote restful sleep. Regular practice makes the body agile and graceful, the mind alert and serene. Beginners are especially welcome. You can start at any time.

**Instructor:** E. Barden

**Location:** Outdoors-See office for location

**Ages:**  
18+

**Day:**  
Tuesdays

**Time:**  
10:00am-11:00am

**Fee:**  
\$20/10 weeks

### **Senior Yoga**

**Returning Soon!**

Discover the benefits of senior yoga. Increase mobility, relieve stress, improve balance and build community. The class is suitable for all abilities. It is also possible to do this class in a chair.

**Instructor:**

**Location:** Gallery

**Ages:**  
50+

**Day:**  
Tuesdays

**Time:**  
11:00am—12:00pm

**Fee:**  
\$220/10 weeks

### **Lunchtime Yoga**

**Returning Soon!**

Increase energy and decrease stress-give yourself a mid-day boost, take a break away from the desk and work on posture, flexibility and connect with community.

**Instructor:**

**Location:** Gallery

**Ages:**  
50+

**Day:**  
Tuesdays

**Time:**  
12:00pm—1:00pm

**Fee:**  
\$220/10 weeks

### **Mature Fitness**

A fresh form of low impact cardio exercise for those who are 50+. A great way to stay fit and healthy.

**Instructor:** A. Sweel

**Location:** Gym

**Ages:**  
50+  
50+

**Day:**  
Mon & Wed  
Mon & Wed

**Time:**  
9:30am-10:45am  
9:30am-10:45am

**Fee:**  
\$60/6 weeks  
\$50/5 weeks

**Dates:**  
1/12/26—2/18/26  
2/23/26—3/25/26



# ADULT CLASSES

## *January 12th—March 28th, 2026*

*No Classes on Monday 1/19 and Monday 2/16*

### Sound Healing

**Returning Soon!**

Sound healing traces its roots back to ancient civilizations such as Greece, Egypt, and India. These societies believed in the transformative healing power of sound and used methods such as singing bowls, chanting, and tuning forks to promote a harmonious environment for the body to heal itself. **Attendees should dress comfortably and bring a pillow and blanket.**

**Instructor:** Emme

**Location:** Library

<b>Ages:</b>	<b>Day:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Fee:</b>
18+	Thursdays	7:00pm-8:00pm	Free

### 50+ Basketball

Basketball pick-up play for those over 50. All participants must register.

**Instructor:** None

**Location:** Gym

<b>Ages:</b>	<b>Day:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Fee:</b>
50+	Wednesday	6:00pm-7:30pm	\$65/11 weeks
50+	Saturday	9:30am-10:30 am	\$65/11 weeks

### PICKLEBALL-UNINSTRUCTED

Join us for indoor pickleball at Rustic Canyon where fun and fitness meet! Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, it's a welcoming environment for all skill levels. Enjoy friendly competition, improve your skills, and meet fellow enthusiasts in our newly refurbished gymnasium. Grab your paddle, some friends and get ready to play—sign up today and discover why pickleball is one of the fastest-growing sports in the country!

**Please note: There is no instructor for this class. Bring your friends**

**Location:** Gym

<b>Ages:</b>	<b>Day:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Fee:</b>
50+	Wednesdays	10:00am-11:00am	\$75/10 weeks
All	Wednesdays	11:00am-12:00pm	\$75/10 weeks
All	Wednesdays	12:00pm-1:00pm	\$75/10 weeks



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**Achieving gender equity through a continuous commitment to girls and women in sports.**  
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# ADULT ART CLASSES

*No Classes on Monday 1/19 & 2/16*

**\*\*\*Maximum 10 participants for each class\*\*\***

## CERAMICS

Clay is an earthy material of fine grained minerals with traces of metal oxides and organic matter that is used to create pottery and many other useful and beautiful items.

***Please read important info below before signing up!***

### All Skill Levels

**Instructor:** L. Mills

**Location:** Ceramics Room

**Ages:** 18+

**Mondays, January 12th-March 16th**

Day:	Time:	Fee:
Mondays	12:00am—3:00pm	\$250/8 weeks
Mondays	5:00pm—8:00pm	\$250/8 weeks

### Advanced Ceramics

Participants with *at least 3 session of beginner/ intermediate classes* at Rustic Canyon or beginner sessions at another studio may take this class. Students must know how to make pinch pots, coils, soft slabs and hard slabs. And also know how to make surface decorations and glaze ceramics.

**Instructor:** C. Austin

**Location:** Ceramics Room

**Ages:** 18+

**Wednesdays, February 4th-March 25th**

Day:	Time:	Fee:
Wednesdays	10:00am — 1:00pm	\$250/8 weeks
Wednesdays	2:00pm — 5:00pm	\$250/8 weeks

**Thursdays, February 5th-March 26th**

Thursdays	10:00am — 1:00pm	\$250/8 weeks
Thursdays	2:00pm — 5:00pm	\$250/8 week

***Additional \$20 Materials Fee-Donation to LA Parks Foundation (tax deductible)***

#### **Important Info:**

- List of materials will be provided by instructor at the first day of class.
- Students must purchase their own clay. ***Cone 5 or cone 6 clay, NOT 05 or 06***
- It is recommended that you wear clothing that can get stained and dirty and/or that you bring an apron.
- This studio has a limited firing capacity and cannot accommodate production potters or pieces over 12 inches.
- Each student will be given a set maximum number of fired finished pieces and will be charged a fee for additional firing (provided there is available kiln space).
- Students must work within their registered class times.





# YOUTH ART AND DANCE CLASS

*January 12th—March 28th, 2026*

*No Classes on Monday 1/19 and Monday 2/16*

## Youth Art Class

Unlock your child's imagination in our Youth Art class, an inspiring and creative class designed for young artists of all skill levels. Students will explore a variety of mediums while learning fundamental art techniques in a fun and supportive environment. Guided by an encouraging instructor, participants will experiment with color, texture, and composition as they create unique works of art each week. This class welcomes both beginners and experienced young creators who love to make, explore, and imagine.

**Instructor:** Jason Sisneros

**Location:** Arts and Crafts Room

**Ages:** 8-16    **Day:** Thursday

**Time:** 4:00pm-5:00pm

**Fee:** \$60/10weeks

## Ballet Class

Step into the world of classical ballet in this engaging and supportive class designed to build strong technique, confidence, and artistry. Dancers will learn foundational positions, proper alignment, and graceful movement through barre work and center exercises.

**Instructor:** Carmen Recker

**Location:** Gym

**Ages:** 5-7    **Day:** Thursday

**Time:** 4:00pm-5:00pm

**Fee:** \$80/10weeks

## Tap Class

Get ready to make some noise! This energetic tap dance class introduces students to rhythm, musicality, and footwork using traditional and contemporary tap techniques. Dancers will learn foundational steps, combinations, and choreography that build coordination, timing, and confidence. Through fun drills and rhythmic patterns, students develop quick feet, strong listening skills, and a dynamic sense of performance.

**Instructor:** Carmen Recker

**Location:** Ping Pong Room

**Ages:** 7-11    **Day:** Thursday

**Time:** 5:00pm-6:00pm

**Fee:** \$80/10weeks

## HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Have you ever felt the desire to help the park? Experienced its beauty, the events hosted by the facility, or walked through the eucalyptus grove and wanted to contribute to its up keeping and restoration efforts?

Scan the QR code to make a donation at the [laparksfound.org](http://laparksfound.org) under "Friends of the Park," volunteer your time at one of the events we host throughout the year, send us an email about what you think about our facility and what can help the community because what YOU think matters.

L.A. Parks  
Foundation





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# **YOUTH COED BASKETBALL**

## ***FAST BREAK FUNDAMENTALS***

**January 17th - March 21st, 2026**

***No class Saturday, January 31st***

### **ESSENTIAL SKILLS THAT WILL BE LEARNED:**

**Register 12/8/25**

**Dribbling**

**Passing**

**Shooting**

**Develop hand/eye coordination**

**Develop motor skills**

**Teamwork**

**Good Sportsmanship**

**Register at  
LAPARKS.ORG.**

**Activities are age-appropriate, ensuring that children can learn and enjoy themselves in a safe, supportive environment.**

**Saturdays / 11:00AM - 12:00PM / Ages 3 - 5 / \$85 for 9 weeks**

**Saturdays / 12:00PM - 1:00PM / Ages 6 - 8 / \$85 for 9 weeks**



# **YOUTH SPORTS**

*January 12th—March 28th, 2026*

## **Pee Wee Tennis Class:**

This class will be introducing the fundamentals of tennis. We will be teaching the kids how to hold the rackets correctly, how to be in every position, and teaching how to use correct form. During all of the instruction the kids will be learning tennis through fun and games and will be able to distinguish forehands, backhands, volleys, and overheads. Evaluations by instructor required to determine skill level. Bring a new can of tennis balls on the first day of class.

**Instructor:** S. Jansing

**Location:** Tennis Court

**Ages:**  
6-9 years

**Day:**  
Saturdays

**Time:**  
9:30am – 10:30am

**Fee:**  
\$200/8 weeks

## **Main Draw Tennis:**

Beginner/Intermediate. This class will be geared toward a slightly older group of children and will be focused on teaching proper technique. While learning the basics of tennis, they will also be learning how to keep score, serve, and play for actual *points*. *There will be a great amount of fun and games while at the same time forehand, backhand, serve, volleys, and overhead drills.* Evaluations by instructor required to determine skill level. Bring a new can of tennis balls on the first day of class.

**Instructor:** S. Jansing

**Location:** Tennis Court

**Ages:**  
10-13 years

**Day:**  
Saturdays

**Time:**  
10:30am – 11:30am

**Fee:**  
\$200/8 weeks

*No class December 6th and December 13th~make-up classes will be made at the end of the session*

## **BASKETBALL-“Fast Break Fundamentals”**

Designed to introduce young children to the basics of basketball in a fun and engaging way, *Fast Break Fundamentals* focuses on developing motor skills, hand-eye coordination, and basic basketball concepts like dribbling, passing and shooting, all while emphasizing teamwork and sportsmanship. Activities are age-appropriate, ensuring that children can learn and enjoy themselves in a safe, supportive environment. Smaller balls and lower hoops are used to accommodate their size and ability, making it an enjoyable experience that promotes physical activity and teamwork.

**Ages:**  
3-5 years  
6-8 years

**Day:**  
Saturdays  
Saturdays

**Time:**  
11:00am-12:00am  
12:00pm-1:00pm

**Fee:**  
\$85/9 weeks, 1/17/26--3/21/25  
\$85/9 weeks, 1/17/26--3/21/25

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Be a good sport.





# **ADULT TENNIS**

## ***January 12th—March 28th, 2026***

*No Classes on Monday 1/19 and Monday 2/16*

Program is listed by instructor . Each student must bring a new can of tennis balls to the first class. Classes must have a minimum of 5 students enrolled or they will be canceled.

### **Advanced Player Live Ball:**

Get ready for fast-paced, action-packed tennis! Live Ball is a fun, high-energy group class that focuses on continuous play rather than drills. Players rotate quickly through competitive point play, keeping the intensity high and the rallies going. It's a great way to improve your reaction time, footwork, and shot selection while getting a fantastic workout. Perfect for intermediate and advanced players who love a challenge and want to sharpen their game in a social, exciting environment. **Bring a new can of tennis balls on the first day of class.**

**Instructor:** S. Jansing & P. Rouhafza

**Location:** Tennis Court

<b>Ages:</b>	<b>Day:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Fee:</b>
18+	Tuesdays	9:00am – 10:30am	\$275/11 weeks
18+	Saturdays	9:30am – 11:00am	\$275/11 weeks

*No class Mondays, January 19 and February 16*

### **Private Individual Tennis Lessons**

We offer private tennis classes for ages 5+. Email us at [rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org](mailto:rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org) for more information. Please include your name, phone number, and availability.

**Fee:** \$900 for ten one hour classes

**Fee:** \$450 for ten half hour classes

### **Private Group Tennis Lessons**

We offer private group tennis classes for ages 5+. Email us at [rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org](mailto:rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org) for more information. Please include your name, phone number, and availability.

**Fee:** \$250 per person for ten (10) one hour classes



***All tennis classes require a minimum of 5 students.  
Rustic Canyon Recreation Center reserves the right to cancel or combine if minimum is not met.***

# What can I get a permit for at Rustic Canyon Recreation Center?

- Picnic Area #1 (12 tables, 3 coal BBQ pits, accommodates up to 100 people max)
- Picnic Area #2 (6 tables, accommodates up to 50 people max)
- Picnic Area #3 (8 tables, 1 coal BBQ pit, accommodates up to 50 people max)
- Field
- Outdoor Basketball Court
- Tennis Courts (1, 2, & 3 only)
- Gallery (Meeting Room)
- Indoor Basketball Court



## Why are there no prices?

*-Because fees vary based on what you need.*

## How early do I need to submit an application?

*-At least four weeks prior to the desired permit date.*

## Are there any restrictions?

*-Yes. Some of the basic restrictions for all permits are no alcohol, no smoking, no bounce houses, no amplified sound, no open flames on the BBQ pits, no tabletop grills, and no dogs off leash.*

## Am I allowed to hire an outside vendor for my party?

*-Yes, we have to approve the vendor, and they need to have their insurance uploaded to [kwikcomply.org](http://kwikcomply.org).*

For more information, email us at [rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org](mailto:rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org).

# Rustic Canyon Permit Information &

For information on availability please call Rustic Canyon RC at (310) 454-5734 or email us at [rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org](mailto:rusticcanyon.rc@lacity.org). Permit Applications are available online at <https://www.laparks.org/reccenter/rustic-canyon>.

## **PICNIC PERMITS**

There are three (3) picnic areas available. We have two picnic areas that hold up to 50 people in each area as well as one that accommodates up to 100. Reservations are required for any of the picnic areas. **Groups are considered 10 people or more.** If you wish to reserve a picnic area, please submit a permit application a minimum of 21 business days in advance. For more information on Sunday Picnics, please contact the office for availability.

## **BASEBALL FIELD & ATHLETIC FIELD**

We have one small baseball diamond available for rental. Due to the size of the field, we will not be able to accommodate adult softball or baseball leagues. Permits are not issued for soccer with the exception of pee wee soccer. Any organized or team sports activity will require an official City Permit and insurance including organized pick-up games. All insurance must be registered at [KwikComply.org](http://KwikComply.org). If you wish to reserve the field, please submit a permit application a minimum of 21 business days in advance. **PRIVATE INSTRUCTION IS NOT ALLOWED.**

## **OUTDOOR BASKETBALL COURT**

We have one outdoor basketball for rental. Any organized league games, private instruction, clinics or use for parties, will require an official City Permit and insurance. All insurance must be registered at [KwikComply.org](http://KwikComply.org). If you wish to reserve the court, please submit a permit application a minimum of 21 business days in advance.

**PRIVATE INSTRUCTION IS NOT ALLOWED.**

## **TENNIS COURTS**

Tennis courts are available on a first come-first serve basis when not under an official City Permit or class programming. **PRIVATE INSTRUCTION IS NOT ALLOWED.**





# Park Advisory Board News

The Park Advisory Board has undertaken a major campaign to completely transform



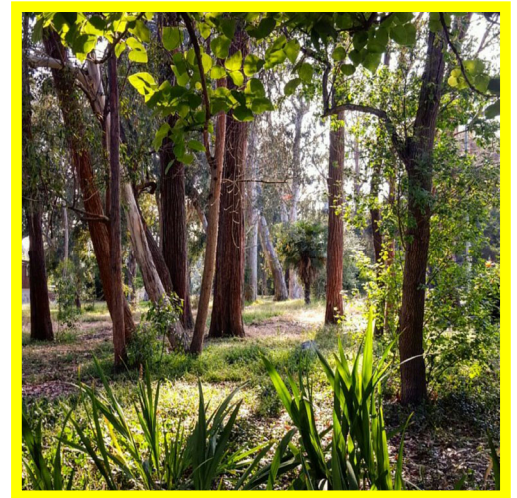
The Park Advisory Board is currently working on renovating various aspects of the facility.

Although it will take time, you will see improvements to the facility soon.

If you are interested in donating to help the following list of projects, please refer to the bottom of the page.

## Facility Director's "Wishlist":

- Refurbish Lower Park Restrooms
- New Playground Equipment
- Repaving of the Parking Lot



## WHERE TO SEND YOUR DONATIONS:

Donations for our current projects can be sent to :



**LA PARKS FOUNDATION**  
2650 N. Commonwealth Avenue  
Los Angeles, California 90027  
[www.laparksfoundation.com](http://www.laparksfoundation.com)

Donation for the [Grove Project](#) can be sent to:  
**Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association**

P.O. Box 3441  
Santa Monica, CA 90408-3441  
[www.smcca.org](http://www.smcca.org)



Rustic Canyon is working with the **Los Angeles Parks Foundation** and **Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association**,

both a 501(c)3 public benefit charity.  
All contributions will be greatly appreciat-

# Community Meetings

## **Rustic Canyon Park Advisory Board**

Meetings held the 3rd Tuesday each month,  
at 6:30 pm in the Gallery.

For more Information visit [laparks.org](http://laparks.org)



## **Santa Monica Canyon Civic Association**

Meetings held the 2nd Tuesday each month,  
virtually via Zoom.

For more Information visit [smcca.org](http://smcca.org)

## **West LA Community Police Advisory Board**

Meetings held the 4th Tuesday each month,  
West LA Police Station

1663 Butler Ave Los Angeles, CA 90025

[lapdonline.org/west\\_la\\_community\\_police\\_station](http://lapdonline.org/west_la_community_police_station)



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<b>Juan Soto</b>	<b>Principal Recreation Supervisor I, Citywide Adaptive Sports, Girls Play LA/Gender Equity</b>
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**Jovan Herron— Senior Recreation Director**

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Ped Rouhafza, Jason Sisneros, Anne Sweel**

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