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Free Fall Concerts

Return to Civic Center Park



Enjoy cool evenings and hot licks at Civic Center Park this October with the return of Palm Desert's free Fall Concerts in the Park featuring live music under the stars and taste tempting food truck treats.

The excitement kicks off at the Civic Center Park Amphitheater at 6 p.m. on Thursday, October 5, with a performance by The Long Run – Experience The Eagles.

Since its debut in 1999, this Los Angeles-based band has earned a reputation as the finest Eagles tribute show working today. Marked by lush vocal harmonies and exceptional musical accuracy, every performance invokes the Eagles' unforgettable studio recordings combined with The Long Run's unique concert personality.

On stage from 6 to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in October, Palm Desert's Fall Concerts will feature a variety of talented musical acts designed to please music lovers of all ages and tastes. Other concert series performances include Americana/ roots music from The Dustbowl Revival (October 12), 70s and 80s soft rock from Yachty by Nature (October 19), and hit R&B and pop tunes performed by AMFM (October 26).

The City extends its thanks to the Desert Recreation District for its support of this year's Fall Concert Series.

The kick off of Fall Concerts also means the return of food trucks to Civic Center Park. Concertgoers are encouraged to sample the trucks' mouthwatering mobile culinary creations or bring picnic baskets along with their blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the shows. Alcoholic beverages and smoking are prohibited.

Civic Center Park is located on the northeast corner of San Pablo Avenue and Fred Waring Drive. For more information, please call 760-346-0611, ext. 416.



October 5 **The Long Run – Experience The Eagles**



October 12 **The Dustbowl Revival**



October 19 **Yachty by Nature**



October 26 **AMFM**



The City of Palm Desert is offering free **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training**, Monday through Friday, October 23 – 27. Classes take place from 8 a.m. to noon each day. The 20-hour class teaches basic first aid, light search and rescue, and disaster preparedness. Enrollment is limited to the first 40 registrants.
Information and registration: 760-346-0611, ext. 590



Learn about American Cancer Society programs and services while supporting cancer survivors and a worthy cause by participating in the **2017 Relay for Life Palm Desert** from

10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, October 7, at Civic Center Park.
Information: 760-285-0411
 or www.relayforlife.org/palmdesertca

Save the date the evening of Friday, November 3, for the return of **STREET**, the fun, hip event that celebrates the kick-off of the new season of **First Weekend Palm Desert**. Located on The Deck at Westfield Palm Desert, **STREET** is a tribute to street art, street music, and street food under the stars.



Information: 760-346-2121
 or www.westfield.com/palmdesert

Date to Remember

Labor Day
 September 4

Autumn Begins
 September 22

Columbus Day
 October 9

Halloween
 October 31



2017 Golf Cart Parade – a Desert Safari

Celebrate the return of a treasured local tradition and one of the desert's most fun and colorful events on Sunday, October 29, when scores of decorated carts, floats, and marching bands head down world famous El Paseo for the 53rd annual Palm Desert Golf Cart Parade.

Organized by the Palm Desert Area Chamber of Commerce, the Palm Desert Golf Cart Parade is the largest parade of its kind and a popular favorite that attracts people from across the desert and around the world.

This year's parade, celebrating the theme, "Desert Safari," steps off at noon led by the 29 Palms 1st Marine Division Band and featuring Grand Marshal Gavin MacLeod of *The Love Boat* and *The Mary Tyler Moore Show* fame.

The day's fun begins at 8 a.m. with the annual Palm Desert Rotary Pancake Breakfast in the Bank of America parking lot (El Paseo and San Luis Rey). Sponsor and golf booths open at 9 a.m. along with a Golf Cart Show that will give distributors and proud owners a chance to show off their historic and hot-rod carts and compete for a People's Choice Award. Other attractions include a Kid's Play Zone sponsored by the Webb Foundation, food and drink vendors, awards and trophy presentations, and more.



In addition to free seating at multiple locations along the parade route, Eisenhower Medical Center's VIP seats (nominal fee) and Auen Foundation's Senior Seating can be reserved. Both include a boxed lunch. For more information, to participate, and to reserve seats, please call the parade hotline at **760-346-6111, ext. 303**, or visit www.GolfCartParade.com.



Palm Desert Waste & Recycling Rates Remain Low

The Palm Desert City Council recently approved small increases to the rates that residents and businesses pay for waste and recycling services.

The increases – 62 cents a month for most residential customers and \$11.85 per week for larger businesses – were requested by Burrtec Waste and Recycling Services, the City's contracted waste hauler. The purpose of the request was to help cover increased costs as the result of a variety of factors including: increased tipping fees at Riverside County landfills; legislation raising California's minimum wage; and new regulations regarding the recycling of food waste.

Even with the recent increase, Palm Desert residents and businesses still pay among the lowest rates in the Coachella Valley for waste and recycling services as illustrated in the adjacent chart.

In 2015, the City Council approved tax roll billing for residential trash collection in Palm Desert. Instead of receiving quarterly bills from Burrtec, property owners now see a separate fee on their annual property tax bill that accounts for each property owner's share of the cost of waste collection across the community. The change helps maintain Palm Desert's quality of life by guaranteeing the regular removal of waste from all homes, regardless of whether residents are paying their trash bill.

While Palm Desert takes pride in its low waste and recycling rates, the decisions to modestly increase rates and to switch to tax roll billing demonstrate the City's commitment to ensuring that Palm Desert remains a clean and beautiful community. For more information, please call **760-776-6416** or email mmiller@cityofpalmdesert.org.

City	Residential Service Basic	Commercial Service Weekly 3-yard bin
Palm Desert	\$12.22	\$111.60
Cathedral City	\$16.80	\$133.14
Coachella	\$20.50	\$116.18
Indio	\$18.96	\$115.19
La Quinta	\$13.87	\$122.20

City Offers Free E-Waste Disposal

The City will hold a free electronic waste collection event on Saturday, September 16, from 7 to 11 a.m. at Palm Desert Civic Center, 73510 Fred Waring Drive.

Collected electronic waste will be donated to Desert ARC Recycling. Donation receipts will be available, upon request, during the event. Acceptable items are anything with a plug or circuit board including:

- Televisions
- Video Game Systems
- Computers & Accessories
- Toasters
- Irons
- Stereo Equipment & Radios
- Phones and cameras
- Vacuum Cleaners
- Large & Small Appliances

Businesses with more than 20 items for disposal must call Desert ARC at **760-346-1611** to schedule an appointment. For more information, please call **760-346-0611, ext. 416**.

New Exhibition Features

CREATEively Inspired Art

The Palm Desert Community Gallery features artwork from CREATE Center for the Arts in its new exhibition, *INSPIRATION*, on display from September 14 to November 22. A public reception will honor the artists on Monday, September 18 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Founded in Palm Desert in February 2017, CREATE Center for the Arts is a new non-profit center with a mission to create community enrichment through the arts. The organization was formed in recognition of the need for creative space, tools, and equipment to nourish, unite, inspire and empower the Valley's creative community through a wide variety of artistic platforms, teachings, and workshops.

This exhibition will feature artwork from CREATE members based on the theme of inspiration.

To learn more about CREATE, visit www.CREATECenterfortheArts.com or call **760-834-8318**.

The Palm Desert Community Gallery is located in Palm Desert City Hall, and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information about the Gallery, please call **760-346-0611, ext. 664** or visit www.palmdesertart.org.



Garden of Surprises by Rebecca Dant



Raindrops on Roses by Diane Morgan

Bike Friendly Palm Desert is Becoming More So

Palm Desert is the perfect place to explore on two wheels – whether you prefer a leisurely loop through the City on paved streets or a challenging climb to scenic vistas via local trails.

The City was an early leader in creating a network of bicycle and golf cart lanes that could be used to get around town without a car.



Today, Palm Desert has more than 42 miles of paved bike lanes and another 23 miles of designated bike routes and pathways. In addition, the City boasts more than half-a-dozen offroad trails that are open to bikes. The City's new General Plan aims to create an even better connected bicycle network that facilitates and encourages cycling for travel to work, school, and shopping, as well as for recreation and exercise.

To accomplish this, the City will prioritize and capitalize on opportunities to provide bicycle facilities that further connect the community and require new development to provide sufficient onsite bicycle parking.

The City's Vision San Pablo project is a great example. Scheduled to break ground in summer 2018, the project will remake San Pablo Avenue by reducing traffic lanes to widen sidewalks and provide buffered bike lanes. The goal is to create a pedestrian and bicycle friendly connection between El Paseo and Highway 111 and the Civic Center, College of the Desert, and CV Link.

For more information about Vision San Pablo and the City's efforts to enhance Palm Desert's bicycle network, please call **760-776-6483** or email eceja@cityofpalmdesert.org.

Vacation Rentals – Balancing Community Interests

The City wants to preserve the qualities that make Palm Desert desirable to residents and visitors while respecting the rights of property owners.

Recent developments in nearby communities have led to concerns that Palm Desert might experience a significant increase in the number of short-term rental properties, which could threaten the character of our community.

In an effort to avoid this and plan thoughtfully and fairly for the future, the Palm Desert City Council passed a temporary moratorium on new short-term rental permits in the City. The year-long moratorium has provided the City with time to evaluate the opportunities and challenges posed by the increasing popularity of vacation rentals and discuss strategies that respect the rights of homeowners while preserving neighborhoods and the fabric of our community.

During the moratorium, an ad hoc committee composed of concerned residents, vacation rental owners, realtors, tourism industry professionals, City Council representatives, and other stakeholders has been meeting to discuss the issues surrounding this complex topic and formulate long-term solutions to recommend to the City Council.

Issues related to vacation rentals that have been discussed include:

- Enhanced enforcement and increasing violation fees
- Homeowners Association (HOA) self-governance
- Better communication between the City and HOAs regarding permits
- Increasing the three night minimum stay to five nights
- Concerns about investors buying multiple properties on the same street for vacation rentals
- Outdoor music
- Concerns from residents who live next to rental properties about experiencing a different renter every weekend
- Investor property improvements

A recommendation on vacation rentals to the City Council is expected this fall. For more information and to share your input about vacation rentals, please call the Community Development Department at **760-346-0611, ext. 483** or email kswartz@cityofpalmdesert.org.



Third Annual
Y BE FIT
Palm Desert
Challenge
 Brings
 Fitness
 &
 Fun



The fourth annual Y Be Fit Palm Desert Challenge returns to Civic Center Park on Sunday, October 1, giving walkers, runners, and tri-athletes of all ages and skill levels a chance to get fit and join in the fun.

Sponsored by the City of Palm Desert, the event benefits Family YMCA of the Desert, and includes something for everyone including a Reverse Mini-Triathlon, 5K Run/Walk, Color Run, and Health and Wellness Fair featuring booths, activities, and music from 7 to 11 a.m.



The Reverse Mini-Triathlon starts with a 5K run, followed immediately by a 10-mile bike ride, and concludes with a refreshing 300 meter swim at the Palm Desert Aquatic Center. This year's event once again includes a team category where runners, cyclists, and swimmers can compete together, with each team member participating in their chosen specialty. Members' times will be combined to see which team was the fastest. A 5K Run/Walk and 1K Color Run offer additional options for athletes, families, and friends.

Following the triathlon's conclusion, Y Be Fit will continue with a free Health and Wellness Fair that offers members of the public a wide array of valuable information along with vendor booths, entertainment, and activities for all ages.

Race participants can sign up at www.ybefitpdchallenge.org. Registration starts on race day at 5:30 a.m. Advance registration fees range from \$10 (\$15 on race day) for the Color Run to \$55 for the Reverse Mini-Triathlon (\$70 on race day). Event start times are staggered with the Reverse Mini-Triathlon starting at 7 a.m.; 5K Run/Walk at 7:15 a.m.; and the Color Run at 9 a.m.

For more information, please visit www.ybefitpdchallenge.org or call 760-341-9622.

Need
 Non-Emergency
 Help?
 Call 211



Did you know that in addition to dialing 911 for emergencies, Palm Desert residents and others who live in Riverside County can dial 211 for information about a wide variety of needs?

County 211 information and referral specialists have a database of more than 800 community resources to help you get the assistance you need on topics including:

- housing assistance
- early childhood and parenting support
- food pantries
- mental health care
- disability and aging support services
- legal services
- employment
- counseling
- substance abuse programs
- support for victims of physical or sexual abuse

The 211 system also allows public safety officials to provide residents with critical information in times of crisis. For more information, please call 211.



PALM DESERT

phone 760-346-0611

e-mail

info@cityofpalmdesert.org

Websites

www.palmdesert.org

www.cityofpalmdesert.org

Watch City Council meetings live online at www.cityofpalmdesert.org on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month at 4 p.m.

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PALM DESERT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

72559 Highway 111
760-346-6111
www.pdacc.org



By Chamber President/CEO
Laurie Baldwin

With the holidays around the corner and snowbirds getting ready to flock to the valley, local businesses are encouraged to start preparing for the upcoming holiday season. It's important to stay ahead of the rush

while keeping your customers informed about your business. Palm Desert Area Chamber of Commerce, (PDACC) has four tips for businesses to prepare.

1. Send out an E-Blast

PDACC offers email blasts to help business members distribute information about products, services, and programs. Email promotion is quick, affordable, and effective.

2. Get Social on Social Media

Social Media can help drive new eyes and traffic to your business. Compose thoughtful posts, tag others, like, and share photos about products or services you are offering this season and reach audiences of all ages and demographics.

3. Make a video

Create a unique, fun, or informative video of the services or products your company will offer during the holidays. Short creative videos are blowing up the Internet right now, often with thousands of views.

4. Network and make connections

PDACC Chamber Mixers are a great way to submerge yourself and your company into the community. Network, connect and share with others the products, services, and programs you offer. Networking is a great way to make a new or long-lasting connection.

Monthly Business Breakfasts

Second Tuesdays
7:30 – 8:45 a.m.

Reservations: www.pdacc.org

Business After Hours Mixers

Third Wednesday of the month
5 – 7 p.m.

Information: www.pdacc.org

Profit Connection Luncheons

Monthly, second and fourth Thursdays
11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Information and reservations: (760) 346-6111

Chamber of Commerce Chamber for Good

Visit www.pdacc.org and click the "Chamber for Good" logo to connect and contribute to local nonprofits.



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Fall Swim Lessons

Half-hour lessons three days a week beginning
Monday, September 11
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 4 – 6 p.m.
Information: 760-565-7467

The Aquatic Center offers a variety of water exercise classes.

Information: 760-565-7467 or www.pdpool.com

PALM DESERT COMMUNITY CENTER

43900 San Pablo Avenue
760-568-9697

www.myrecreationsdistrict.com

Monday – Friday, 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Closed Sundays



GOLF CENTER AT PALM DESERT

Home of First Tee of the Coachella Valley youth golf program includes 9-hole par three course, driving range with chipping and putting greens, foot golf, and more.

74945 Sheryl Avenue
760-779-1877

FAMILY YMCA OF THE DESERT

43930 San Pablo Avenue
760-341-9622

www.ymcaofthedesert.org

Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.



Y Be Fit Palm Desert Challenge

Sunday, October 1, 7 a.m.
Civic Center Park

Information: 760-341-9622
or www.ybefitpdchallenge.org

PALM DESERT PUBLIC LIBRARY

73300 Fred Waring Drive
760-346-6552

www.rivlib.net

Monday – Thursday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday, 1 – 5 p.m.

Closed September 4, 15 & October 9

Book Club: Hooked on Books

Tuesdays, 2 p.m.

September 5: *The Language of Flowers*
by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

October 3: *A Full Life* by Jimmy Carter

Meditation Mondays

Led by Vib Verma

Mondays, September 11
& October 2, 6 p.m.

Author Talk

Bert Upson, author of *On a Clear Day:*

9/11 – An Eyewitness Account

Tuesday, September 12, 4 p.m.

Writers Group: Write On!

Third Tuesdays at 2 p.m.

September 19 How to Conduct an Interview

October 17 Share Your Writing Samples



Monday Movie Matinee



Third Mondays at 2 p.m.

September 18 Meredith Wilson's
The Music Man
October 16 *Hello Dolly* starring
Barbra Streisand

Veterans Resource Center

Volunteers provide information and referrals for former service members.

Information: 760-346-6552

PALM SPRINGS ART MUSEUM IN PALM DESERT

72567 Highway 111
760-346-5600

www.psmuseum.org

Offering daily free admission

Closed Mondays & holidays

Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Wednesday, noon – 8 p.m.

Thursday – Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Faye
Sarkowsky Sculpture Garden is open 7 days a week

Through September 4, members of *The Living Desert*
or the *Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert* can
get free admission to both popular attractions



CAL STATE UNIVERSITY SAN BERNARDINO

Palm Desert Campus
37500 Cook Street
760-341-2883

<http://pdc.csusb.edu>

Campus Administrative Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Closed September 4

Educational Programs

Offering Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctor of Education degrees as well as Teacher Preparation/Credential and Certificate Programs

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Offers non-credit, university-level courses for adults 50+ along with events, travel program, and discussion groups. Experience the fun of learning with no homework, tests, or grades.

Information: 909-537-8121 or osher.csusb.edu

Join the **Cal State University Associates**

and attend monthly entertainment and educational events.

Information: 760-341-2883, ext. 78107
or msinger@csusb.edu

Retired academic and administrative professionals from four-year colleges and universities are invited to join the **Emeriti Society**. Members get access to events and adult learning opportunities at Cal State's Palm Desert Campus.

Information: pdc.csusb.edu/emeritiSociety.html



COACHELLA VALLEY ANIMAL CAMPUS

72050 Pet Land Place, Thousand Palms
760-343-3644

Information: www.rcdas.org
Animals available for adoption

Animal Samaritans at CODA Gallery

During Art Walk on El Paseo
Friday, October 6, 4 – 8 p.m.



Animal Samaritans Eat for Change

Visit the Chipotle restaurant (Monterey Avenue and Dinah Shore Drive) and bring in the Eat for Change flyer (print from <http://animalsamaritans.org/eat-for-change-october-19th-4-8pm/>) and up to 50% of the day's proceeds will benefit Animal Samaritans

COLLEGE OF THE DESERT

43500 Monterey Avenue
760-346-8041

www.collegeofthedesert.edu

Alumni Association Street Fair

Every weekend starting at 7 a.m.
RSVP & Information: 760-636-7957

Walter N. Marks Center for the Arts

Open Monday – Thursday, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.,
and by appointment
Information: 760-776-7278

Exercise Your Brain with Learning in Retirement

College of the Desert's classroom space in Westfield Palm Desert
\$60 per semester for multiple courses
Information: www.lirpalmdesert.com

PaCE—Partnership and Community Education

www.collegeofthedesert/pace.edu

Short-term training, workshops, and certification services on a wide variety of subjects including licensed smog technician, security guard and security officer

Information: codpace@collegeofthedesert.edu
or 760-776-7420

DESERT WILLOW GOLF RESORT

38995 Desert Willow Drive
Pro shop and tee times:
760-346-7060, ext. 1
Information:
760-346-7060
www.desertwillow.com

Golf Shop

5:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Driving Range

Open seven days a week from 6 a.m. to one hour before sunset.
Closed for maintenance from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Mondays & Thursdays

Lakeview Terrace Restaurant

For reservations (parties of six or more)
call 760-346-7060

Menus: www.desertwillow.com/dining

Breakfast: 7 – 11 a.m.

Lunch: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Bar Menu: 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Cooks Grill

5:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Palm Desert Golf Academy

Open 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Tuesday – Saturday
Closed Sundays & Mondays

Get Golf Ready

Five short lessons teach everything you need to know to play with confidence.
Sundays, October 29 – November 26, 3 p.m.
\$149 per person

2017/2018 Platinum Card

Enjoy discounts on green fees, lessons, dining, merchandise, and book tee times 21 days in advance
Residents: \$319; Non-Residents: \$369
Purchase before October 1 and save \$100
Information: www.desertwillow.com/Platinum

THE GARDENS/EL PASEO VILLAGE

73545 El Paseo
760-862-1990

Monday – Thursday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Sunday, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

11th Annual Paint El Paseo Pink

Popular walk supports breast cancer screenings and education
Saturday, October 14, 8 a.m.
\$25 per walker includes t-shirt, snacks, & water
Information: 760-773-6554
or www.desertcancerfoundation.org



HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PALM DESERT

72861 El Paseo
760-346-6588
www.hspd.org
Friday – Monday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Opening Day

Friday, October 6, 10 a.m.

Reopening Reception

Celebrate the debut of the newly renovated museum with light refreshments
Saturday, October 7, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Friday Night Lecture Series

Featuring Michael Ables, executive director of the Patton Museum
October 27, 6 – 8 p.m.



JOSLYN CENTER

73750 Catalina Way
760-340-3220

www.joslyncenter.org

Summer Hours (through October 1)

Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Closed Saturdays and Sundays

Regular Hours (beginning October 2)

Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Closed Sundays

Closed September 4

Free fitness classes for seniors held throughout the week. Call or visit www.joslyncenter.org for class times.

Vision Loss Independent Living Classes

Offered by the Braille Institute
Mondays starting September 11
Information & registration: 760-321-1111

AARP Mature Safe Drivers Course

Starting October 26
Reservations & information: 760-340-3220

Care Pathways

Two-hour classes provide support for families caring for older adults
Riverside County Office on Aging
Registration & information: 760-771-0501

Active Aging Expo & Flu Shot Clinic

Wednesday, October 25, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Information: 760-340-3220, ext. 102

California Telephone Access Program

Free hearing screening and free phone for eligible Californians
Friday, October 27, 10 a.m. – noon

Meals on Wheels

delivers nutritious meals to homebound seniors. Penny's Pantry is open on the first and third Fridays of each month for seniors in need of additional food/pet food. Volunteers are needed.

Information: 760-340-3220, ext. 110

Let's Do Lunch

Twice monthly activities outside the home
First and third Tuesdays, 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Information: 760-325-4088

Telephone Safety Net

For seniors who need an "Are you OK?" phone call
Information: 760-340-3220, ext. 110



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SANTA ROSA & SAN JACINTO MTS NAT'L MONUMENT VISITOR CENTER

51500 Highway 74
760-862-9984

www.desertmountains.org

September hours: 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Friday – Tuesday

Closed Wednesday & Thursday

October hours: Open daily, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Monument Night Adventures

Saturday night family walks along the Art Smith Trail looking for nocturnal desert creatures.

September 16, 7:30 – 9 p.m.

October 14, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

RSVP required: 760-862-9984

National Public Lands Day

Spend the day outdoors giving back to your community as part of a trail clean-up in Pinyon Flats.

Saturday, September 30, 8 a.m. – noon

RSVP required: 760-862-9984



Carrizo Canyon Opening Day

The Carrizo Canyon Ecological Preserve opens for the season with a chance to see Bighorn Sheep and other desert wildlife.

Sunday, October 1, 8 – 10:30 a.m.

RSVP required: 760-862-9984

Birding Walk

Walk with an experienced birder to discover the birds who call the Coachella Valley Desert their home.

Monday, October 9, 7:30 – 9 a.m.

Star Party at the Monument

Saturday, October 28, 7 – 10 p.m.

RSVP required: 760-862-9984

Information: www.astrorx.org

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5K Guided Architectural Walking Tours

Discover the historic neighborhoods near the Shadow Mountain Club. Proceeds benefit the Historical Society.

Thursday – Saturday, October 19 – 21

9:30 a.m. – noon

Tickets: www.modernismweek.com

THE LIVING DESERT

47900 Portola Avenue

760-346-5694

www.livingdesert.org

September Hours

Open daily, 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

(last admission at 1 p.m.)

October Hours

Open daily, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

(last admission at 4 p.m.)

Through September 4, members of *The Living Desert* or the *Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert* can get free admission to both popular attractions.

Giraffe Feeding

Daily 9 a.m. – noon

\$6 with paid admission (\$4 members)

Summer Memberships

Valid through September 30

\$25 per person; \$40 dual; \$75 family

Summer Chill Tour Package

Book a private, behind-the-scenes tour and get a second select tour as a bonus.

Includes a 3-hour guided shuttle tour

Available through September 30

Safari Nights

Experience the zoo at night with scorpion hunting, astronomy, bat detectors, live entertainment, food, and specialty drinks.

Saturdays in September, 7 – 10 p.m.

\$12 adults; \$8 children (3 – 12); \$6 members;

free for children under 3



Year of the Giraffe Kickoff

Celebration marks the beginning of a series of giraffe-themed events throughout 2017/2018 raising awareness to save them from extinction

Sunday, October 1, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Free with paid admission

La Gran Fiesta

Crafts, scavenger hunt, and entertainment celebrating Hispanic heritage

Saturday, October 14, 9 a.m. – noon

Free with paid admission

Lorikeets: Winged Wonders Exhibit

Get up close and personal with the colorful birds

Saturday, October 28 – April 2018

Daily 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

\$3 non-members; \$2 members; \$3 per feeding nectar with admission

Camel Rides Return

Saturday, October 28 – April 2018

Daily 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

\$6 with paid admission



Howl-O-Ween

Dress up and celebrate Halloween at the zoo featuring candy, crafts, games, and more.

Sunday, October 29, 9 a.m. – noon

Tuesday, October 31, 6 – 8:30 p.m.

Guests \$10; free for members

MCCALLUM THEATRE

73000 Fred Waring Drive

760-340-ARTS (2787)

www.mccallumtheatre.com

Field Trip Series

Teachers and students experience theatre, music, and dance

Information: www.mccallumtheatre.com/index.php/education/field-trips

Season Debut

Martial Artists and Acrobats of Tianjin

Tuesday & Wednesday, September 26 & 27

Visit www.mccallumtheatre.com or call the box office for a complete listing of September & October shows.



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75080 Frank Sinatra Drive

760-834-0800

www.palmdesert.ucr.edu

Arts & Letters Author Series: Tod Goldberg

A spirited talk with the author of more than a dozen novels including *Gangster Nation*, a new tale of murder, mayhem, and rabbis

Wednesday, October 11, 6:30 p.m.

13th Annual Desert Garden Community Day

Free seminars, exhibits, demonstrations, kid's activities, and gardening experts on topics including irrigation, desert gardening, butterfly gardens, and more.

Saturday, October 28, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Hosted by Desert Horticultural Society of the Coachella Valley and UCR Palm Desert

Information: 310-428-9500

or www.deserthorticulturalsociety.org

An Educational Program for Mature Learners

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Save the date on November 4

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