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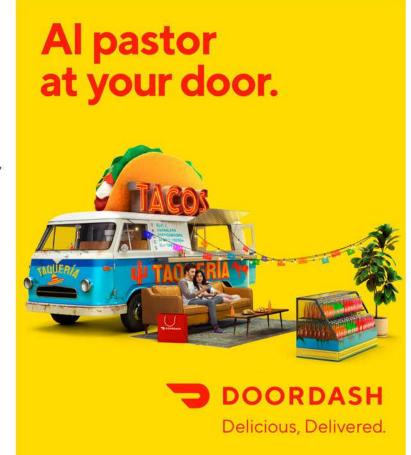
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## Pastrami on Rye:

#### An Overstuffed History of the Jewish Deli

By Contributing Writer

or much of the twentieth century, the New York Jewish deli was an iconic institution in both Jewish and American life. As a social space it rivaled—and in some ways surpassed—the synagogue as the primary gathering place for the Jewish community. In popular culture it has been the setting for classics like When Harry Met Sally. And today, after a long period languishing in the trenches of the hopelessly old-fashioned, it is experiencing a nostalgic resurgence.

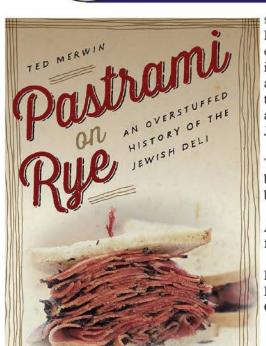
Pastrami on Rye is the first full-length history of the New York Jewish deli. The deli, argues Ted Merwin, reached its full flowering not in the immigrant period, as some might assume, but in the interwar era, when the children of Jewish immigrants celebrated the first flush of their success in

America by downing sandwiches and cheesecake in theater district delis. But it was the kosher deli that followed Jews as they settled in the outer boroughs of the city, and that became the most tangible symbol of their continuing desire to maintain a connection to their heritage. Ultimately, upwardly mobile American Jews discarded the deli as they transitioned from outsider to insider status in the middle of the century. Now contemporary Jews are returning the deli to cult status as they seek to reclaim their cultural identities.

Richly researched and compellingly told, Pastrami on Rye gives us the surprising story of a quintessential New York institution.

#### About the Program

Dig into the "overstuffed history" of the



American Jewish deli with Ted Merwin, award-winning author of Pastrami on Rye, and

senior contributing editor for the Forward, Rob Eshman. During this insightful and entertaining discussion, learn all about the impact of deli, its relevance in pop culture, and how these gathering places remain a tangible (and tasty!) reminder of Central and Eastern European Jewish heritage for Jews and non-Jews alike.

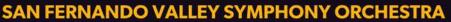
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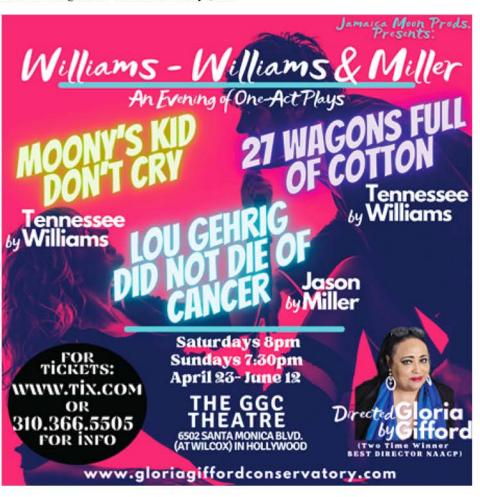
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#### **COVER STORY**

# SAY HOORAY FOR SUPERIOR SIDE SUPERIOR SIDE SUPERIOR SIDE SUPERIOR SUPERIOR

By Barbara Beckley

ats off to you all! Our wonderful Dads – on Father's Day, June 19th — and every day. Our new graduates – this year, and equally important the Classes of 2020 and 2021, who can finally toss their mortarboards into the air and celebrate the freedom to go back to normal!!

Graduation Glory

In person. Who imagined it would be so appreciated?

We're celebrating with amazing speakers and amazing graduates. First Lady Jill Biden was the keynote speaker at Los Angeles City College ceremonies at the Greek Theatre, June 9, and gymnast/activist Katelyn Ohashi addressed UCLA graduates June 10. In May President Biden spoke at the University of Delaware, tennis great Billie Jean King at Springfield College, Massachusetts; now famous Dr. Fauci at the U of Maryland, Baltimore; Allyson Felix, the most decorated track and field Olympian ever, at USC, and Taylor Swift at NYU. Here at CSUN more than 10,000 happy grads from 2022, 2020-21 and 2019-2020 celebrated on the University Library Lawn

this year to make up for lost time during the pandemic.

Proof we're never too young. A 13-year-old, Elliott Tanner, just received his Bachelor of Science in Physics from the University of Minnesota and is entering a U of M PhD program in the fall! His goal? "To understand the deepest secrets of the Universe." Way to go Einstein! Or too old. At 94, super dad to a daughter and two grand-daughters, retired U.S. Air Force and successful home-builder Bob Blum finally received a college degree in May! He chose Keiser University in Naples, Florida and plans to enroll for a Masters next semester. Oh yes. He also endowed a scholarship fund at the university: the

Robert H. and Connie Blum Scholarship for Dedicated Nurses.

Fatherhood and Fame?

Yes! Here's our A-list of Amazing celebrity dads. Sir Elton John and hubby

David Furnish are the best dads ever to sons Zachary, 8, and Elijah, 6, who – insider scoop – call Elton "Daddy," and David "Papa." Says Elton, according to Reader's



Dave Grohl with Daughter Ophelia

Digest, "Our sons have brought more joy into our lives than anything else on earth. Before we had children we just had our lives and we would spend money because we didn't have anything else to focus on." Not so now. Elton and David are determined their boys appreciate value and giving. They get pocket money. But 1/3 is for charity, 1/3 for savings and 1/3 for spending. And the boys have to work for it, helping in the kitchen, in the garden.

Dave Grohl, hardcore punk drummer, Nirvana grunge icon and frontman for the Foo Fighters, is also the proud papa to three daughters (with wife, Jordyn Blum), who



love Dave so much they're following in his footsteps. Violet Maye Grohl, 16, made headlines singing Nirvana classics with Dad in 2020; Harper Willow Grohl, 13,

played drums with Dad in front of 20,000 fans in Iceland; and Ophelia Saint Grohl, 8, rocked out alongside Dad in an episode of "Ryan's Secret Playdate." Dave is such an enthusiastic father he even spoke to Violet BEFORE she was born. "It felt weird talking to someone's stomach," he told Today.com. But it worked. The moment she was born, Dave says "I got right up close to her face and said, 'Hey, Violet, it's me.' She recognized my voice instantly and stopped screaming." The two locked eyes and their bond was sealed. "We've been like that ever since." he said.

Country music star Billy Ray Cyrus gets our vote for raising not only daughter Miley Cyrus, 28, to be a success; but five others! Brandi Cyrus, 33, Trace Cyrus, 32, Christopher Cyrus, 29, Braison Cyrus, 26, and Noah Cyrus, 21.

While daughters Miley and Noah often perform with Dad, the entire brood did a special episode of Carpool Karaoke back in 2017.

No surprise all-round good guy Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson is a doting Dad to three daughters: Simone Alexandra Johnson, 19, who is following in his footsteps training to become a WWE wrestler; Jasmine Johnson, 5, and Tina Gia Johnson, 2. The People magazine 2016 Sexiest Man Alive, told Oprah his family is his "anchor." He's raising his two younger daughters with wife Lauren Hashian, and co-parenting Simone with ex-wife Dany Garcia.

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Married since 1999, soccer super star David Beckman has four children with fashion designer Victoria Beckham. Brooklyn Beckham, 22; Romeo James Beckham, 18; Cruz Beckham, 16; and Harper Seven Beckham, 9. He told People Magazine, "In my career there's many things I've won, and many things I've achieved, but for me my greatest achievement is my children and my family."



Tiziano Vannoni of Burbank

Former NBA star Dwayne Wade told ESPN "I love being a dad. Fatherhood is the best thing that could happen to me." He's proving it by sharing his life with four biological children and his nephew, who he has custody of: Zaire Blessing Dwayne Wade, 19; Dahveon Morris (Wade's nephew), 19; Zaya Wade, 13; Xavier Zechariah Wade, 7, and Kaavia James Union Wade, 2.

And Reddit co-founder, Alexis Ohanian, father of Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr., 3 (with tennis star Serena Williams), encourages all new dads to take paternity leave if they can. Not to forget Denzel Washington – cultural icon and an inspiration to his four grown kids: John David Washington, 36; Katia Washington, 33; Malcolm Washington, 30, and Olivia Washington, 30. Denzel is also half of one of Hollywood's most enduring marriages with wife, Pauletta for nearly 40 years!!! While Jay-Z keeps it private with wife Beyoncé and kids Blue Ivy

Carter, 9, and twins Sir and Rumi Carter, 3, he couldn't resist a father-daughter outing with Blue Ivy at a 2020 Lakers vs. Clippers game.

Trending – Amazing Stay-at-Home Dads It's the wave of the future. Already 14 percent of fathers with young children are out of the workforce and taking care of their kids, reports WFMyNews2.com. "Men are staying home with the kids to save money on childcare, while women are making more money than ever!" So true! As young dad Tiziano Vannoni of Burbank told me, "In 2020 when our son Cosimo was born, I was working in wine sales, the career that brought me here from Italy, and my wife, Michelle Rodriguez, was running a successful firm, 360viewPR. As her company was growing, I decided to take the leap to

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stay-at-home dad. Getting the chance to be with my son every day and not miss one milestone is worth more than anything. I also realize how lucky I am because I'm forging a special bond with Cosimo that not every father gets the chance to do."

Golf pro James Stewart of Greensboro, SC also quite his job when his daughter was 10 months old and never looked back, Business Insider.com relates. Noelle is 11 now, and her brother Levi is 9. "I love being a fulltime dad," said Stewart. "It's been more than an A+ on a school project or a home run at a ballgame, it's being able to spend time together that's a big win," Stewart said.

Father of three daughters Zach Hefferen left his C-suite position of 16 years and NYC for Maine for the family good. Now he's looking after the kids and his elderly father (who moved in with them) fulltime, while his wife works remotely from home. Zach says he never expected his career to take this direction. "My kids will grow up and need me less. They'll be in school for the rest of their childhood and adolescence. I can go back to my office job later, but I can never go back and do this job again," he told BusinessInsider.com.

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Hero Dads!

All Fathers are heroes. They make life more fun. Teach us valuable skills. Are there when we need them. And go the extra mile.

You may remember when LAPD Sergeant Bumjin Kim, himself the father of a 3-year-old-son, sprang into action when a frantic father rushed up with his unconscious daughter in his arms last January in Echo Park. The 15-year LAPD veteran dislodged whatever was blocking the 3-year-old's throat and patted her until she regained consciousness. Saving her life before the paramedics (which he'd dispatched) arrived. We agree with his LAPD department head, who said, "The humble sergeant is a hero and a leader." And Pasadena Fire Department Captain William Basulto, who was off duty with his son and his father heading to the NFC title championship game last January, when they spotted smoke coming from a house in East LA. A woman and dog were trapped upstairs. Neighbors gave Basulto garden hoses, a ladder and tools to help open the door. Singlehandedly he rescued the woman and pooch before the fire her fiancé, Cameron Hill, proposed - with

engines arrived. The Rams and Microsoft gave Basulto four tickets to the Super Bowl. Hip, hip hooray!

When the pandemic made life so boring for 8-year-old Azura Nuwame in Toronto,

Canada, her Dad, Lue, turned the first floor of their home into a giant, modular, life-sized board game, creating cardboard cutouts. "I get to help decide which spaces do what actions and then my dad and I race



Captain William Basulto (Father Hero)

each other to see who wins. My mom is the ref," Azura was quoted in Reader's Digest.

And Bob Reynolds. Reader's Digest relates how his daughter Michelle fell in love with the perfect wedding ring while her fiancé was away. She'd go to the jewelry store every week to check that it was there. Then, one week it was gone! She was heartbroken. Until, several years later when

that ring. Turns out her Dad understood how much she loved the ring and bought it, to give to her future husband. "I love the ring that much more because it reminds me how much both of the men in my life love me!"

Michelle says.

Barry Dean, a father and Grammy-nominated Nashville-based songwriter for artists Tim McGraw, Carrie Underwood and others, recently created a safer wheelchair for his

19-year-old daughter who was born with cerebral palsy - and for all wheelchair users. According to Reader's Digest, wheelchairs tip over easily, sending some 30,000 people to the hospital annually. Barry was worried, so he and his engineer brother, Jered, developed a wheelchair prototype that "wouldn't let Katherine run into things or drive off steps" and would "let her go out in the backyard by herself and get her help

when she needed it." And founded a company to bring their invention to the public. It's LUCI, a hardware and software platform that mounts onto a power wheelchair using "sensor-fusion technologies to allow the wheelchair to avoid collisions, prevent dangerous drop-offs, and provide unprecedented stability, security and cloud connectivity." Cool bros!

Not every Amazing Dad has to be biological. In Salem, Massachusetts, Varsity High School Basketball Coach Dennis Wilson became the Father that Davidson Hosty, an immature, angry kid with no dad, needed, explained Reader's Digest. Beginning with practice and continuing long after, as Davidson graduated with a Master's degree and got his dream job in academics. "Coach Wilson still calls and checks in on me all the time, he has been instrumental in everything I've accomplished," says Davidson. "Even though we may not share blood, he is a father to me. He calls me his son and I consider it a great honor to be his son."

Happy Father's Day to all the great Dads!





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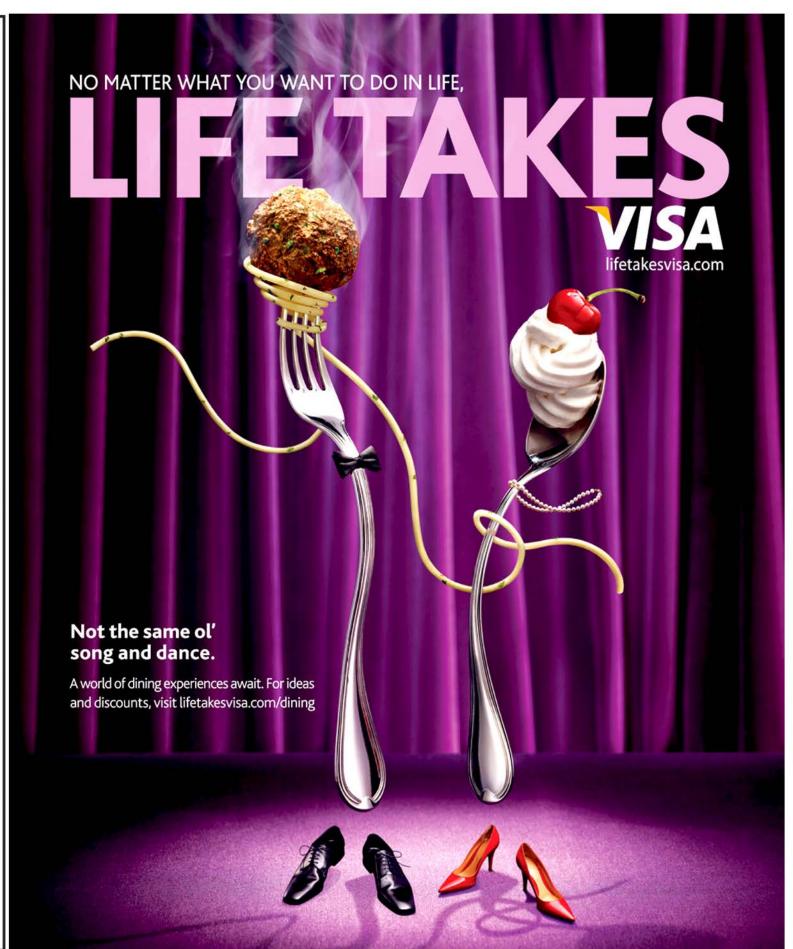
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## MINUTIA

#### THE RETURN OF THE CONDOR MARKS TRIBAL **RENAISSANCE ON CALIFORNIA'S**

REDWOOD COAST By Contributing Writer

That the Yurok tribe released a handful of That the Yurok tribe released a handful of rare California condors in Redwood National Park seems fitting, as Humboldt County, a rural patch with the world's tallest trees and the West Coast's wildest beaches, is home to more indigenous people per capita than most of California. The return of condors to their original habitat this month, the culmination of decades of captive breeding research and wildlife care, is one of many Native achievements this year in Humboldt County, a few hours north of San Francisco on Hwy 101. Travelers can experience many of them. The Humboldt Lodging Alliance and Redwood Coast Parks, 2. Stone Lagoon Indian Visitor Center nonprofits dedicated to responsible tourism on the Redwood Coast, suggest these seven.

#### 1. Condors in Redwood National Park

Absent from Northern California for more than a century, the first condors took flight from a staging area weeks ago near Orick in ancestral Yurok grounds, returning every so often to visit a handful of younger birds still in the enclosure. Visitors are likely to see the birds, with wingspans of up to ten feet, soaring over Bald Hills in the eastern section of the park, not far from their release site. The birds, the largest in North America, are sacred to the tribe and represent, aptly, the spirit of renewal. The tribe, the largest in California, plans to release more of the birds, called prey-go-neesh, in the coming years in the hopes they will sustain their own populations in the wild.

Opened in April, the Chah-pekw O' Ket'-toh "Stone Lagoon" visitor center south of



the park on Hwy 101 is the first tribally operated information center within the California State Park system and handsomely displays cultural exhibits, like a traditional grass apron that returned home after an odyssey among collectors that spanned 200 years and 14,000 miles.

#### 3. Sue-Meg Village State Park

Formerly Patrick's Point State Park (the name changed in September), this coast promontory features the Sumeg Village, designed and built by local Yuroks. Explore the sweathouse, dance pit and redwood canoes. Enter the narrow circular crawlways in the plank houses, intended to keep out bears, wait a moment in the darkness, and you'll see the pit and stone floors where fires served as central heating units.

#### 4. Old Home Beach in Trinidad

The town of Trinidad was once the site of Tsurai, one of the West Coast's oldest continuously inhabited settlements. Yuroks lived here along Trinidad Bay, an ideal place for strategic defense, seafood gathering, ocean canoe launches and protection from the elements, for perhaps a thousand years. The sea stacks, beach boulders and tide pools of Old Home Beach, the village's "front door" to the ocean, are accessible from the Trinidad bluff vista trailhead on Edwards Street. The Trinidad Rancheria operates the adjacent fishing pier, bait and curio shop and cafe and periodically showcases native art at the nearby Heights Casino.

#### 5. Potawot Garden in Arcata

A 40-acre natural refuge hidden in north Arcata, the Potawot Community Gardens demonstrate the power of healing as overworked farmland reverts to its natural

state and paved looped trails meander through restored meadows, forests and wetlands. Here the sounds of the city give way to the sounds of nature, whether songbirds or the rustling wind. A spur trail over a scenic footbridge leads to a garden of wild plants used in traditional basket-making, such as willow, hazel, spruce root and maidenhair fern.

#### 6. Hoopa Valley and Museum

Located about 50 miles east of Arcata in the Hoopa Valley, the largest Indian reservation in California, the Hoopa Tribal Museum's collection displays basketry, ceremonial regalia, jewelry, dugout canoes and tools used by Hupa, Yurok and Karuk tribes. Set up an appointment and for a small fee the museum can lead guided group tours to cultural sites like the traditional village of Takimildiñ.

#### 7. Wiyot Cultural Center in Eureka

In Eureka, the county seat of Humboldt, the original Restoration Hardware store now houses the Wiyot Heritage Center. The Wiyot tribe, which inhabited the lands surrounding Humboldt Bay, has a big goal, restoring their nearly extant language with old audio tapes and notes from anthropologists. Slated to officially open to the public as early as this summer, it shares the tribe's past and present through interpretive displays, artifacts, attire and art, such as the works of internationally recognized Wiyot artist Rick Bartow. The Da gou rou louwi' center is located in Old Town next to the central Gazebo plaza.

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of academic support, enrichment classes, fitness and recreation programs as well as special events on campus, community events and activities. It's a recipe for a balanced childhood and a preparation for future success! STAR Galaxy offers a daily dose of scheduled classes, August through June, from the end of the school day until 6 PM. Students rotate through group tutoring, homework lab, sports/fitness/recreation. registration@starinc.org

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## ON SCREEN

By Contributing Writer

## **Dance with Films in Los Angeles**



GOODBYE PETRUSHKA

ances with Films 25th edition is one of the country's pre-eminent showcases of new or unusual talent across media.

This indie festival "was created when the Park City scene—aka Sundance—had mini fests gathering around it," says co-founder Leslee Scallon. "We thought it would be funny for our summer film festival in Hollywood to be called Dances With Films."

Filmmakers Michael Trent and Leslee Scallon, after writing, filming, and finishing their own independent film realized they didn't have the "connections" to get their film into industry fests. "Michael had a brilliant idea to bring together other filmmakers for a week-long event in Los Angeles," Scallon recalls. DWF's is showing 200 films, shorts, pilots and music videos.

REWILDING, makes its premiere June 19 and MY FRIEND TOMMY has its premiere June 12. REWILDING follows Anthony Dejesus, a budding Black artist and former Rikers inmate, as he leaves New York City for the first time with rock climbers and wilderness guides.

Nem Stankovic's MY FRIEND TOMMY is about a different kind of transformation: the romantic and sexual education of a real-life 40 year old virgin, Tommy Lee. Tommy has never so much as kissed or dated a woman, lives at home with his parents, and subsists on an allowance; he doesn't even have a bank account. With the help of his wingman, athlete and actor Nem Stankovic, Tommy wants to change that.

With the success of Jonas Poher Rasmussen's Oscar nominated FLEE, animation has found firm footing in the documentary genre, and nowhere do the two techniques combine to transport the viewer into a brave and heroic world than in ETERNAL SPRING (長春). Canadian Jason Loftus tells a hell of a story: in March 2002, a state TV station in China was hijacked by members of outlawed spiritual group Falun Gong. Their goal was to counter the government narrative about their practice. In the aftermath, police raids sweep Changchun City, and pre-eminent comic book illustrator Daxiong (Justice League, Star Wars), a Falun Gong practitioner, is forced to flee. Live action and 3-D animation bring the story back to life.

Two feature selections come to DWF after marquee debuts at other festivals: 2022 Slamdance Audience Award (a festival inspiring DWF's name devoted to first-time directors) winner IRON FAMILY, directed by Patrick Longstreth, makes its Premiere is on July 12. The heartwarming documentary follows Jazmine Faries, a young woman with Down Syndrome, whose fecund imagination—fueled by her obsession with soap operas, Barbie dolls, and Matthew McConaughey—has supported five summers' worth of stage plays in her hometown of Iron River.

1-800-HOT NITE's director Nick Richey has already proved he's a master of looking inside the minds and troubles of young people with a combination of pathos, introspection and humor. 1-800-HOT-NITE starts with 13-year old Tommy (Dallas Dupree Young) loses his family to a police raid, he escapes custody (and foster care) with his friends, Steve and O'Neill.

A COVID-19 love story? Maybe not as rare as one might think, since love did isolate along with the tens of millions of virus sufferers. One narrative to watch is COVID-19 GROUND ZERO makes its West Coast premiere Saturday, June 18, with laurels and awards from a number of festivals

in its wake. A synthesis of true stories from frontline hospital workers in New York City, the film is a courageous, heart-wrenching account of a dedicated hospital nurse and her boyfriend as they try to make sense of the pandemic that engulfed New York and the nation amid the Black Lives Matter protests.

"Ubuntu is an ancient African word meaning 'humanity to others'. It is often described as reminding us that 'I am what I am because of who we all are." That description came from the open-source operating system page. UBUNTU is also an impact documentary film making its premiere June 13. The documentary shines a light on the Mamas of Cape Town, a group of heroic women whose tenacity allowed them to survive and even triumph over the cruel hand they were dealt.

"You need to go to Paris." Don't we all? Rounding out the features is the June 12 premiere of Nicola Rose's GOODBYE PETRUSHKA, which comes to DWF with an award from Worldfest Houston. Claire (Lizzie Kehoe), a young puppeteer, moves impulsively from NYC to Paris, where she nannies for the family from hell, battles wacky French bureaucrats, embarrasses herself in front of her Parisian crush and navigates a toxic relationship.

Alongside the features, Dances with Films celebrates the short film.

One of those films is EL CARRITO, by activist Zahida Pirani, screening June 13. EL CARRITO follows Nelly, who lives with her father Rico in Queens. She is determined to improve her circumstances as she slogs through day after unsuccessful day of street vending.

How many times has someone heard the expression: "[film name] defies easy description?" Well, with SWEAT OF HIS COW, with a premiere June 15, words may come easily but



1-800-HOT NITE

takes us through OUT OF TUNE, an uncomfortable journey of self-acceptance making its premiere June 17. From adolescence to adulthood, Maya has wrestled with the often narrow boundaries of racial identity. She wants to be rooted in but not restricted by her Blackness. But instead of being a liberated fangirl, Maya feels boxed in by the Black gaze.

In Frank Kelly's THE CRITIC, making its premiere June 17, a reserved and cosmopolitan hotel critic checks into Coral Gables' famed Biltmore Hotel for what appears to be just another routine review. Her stay quickly spirals into an adventure of a lifetime when she meets a charming and mysterious golfer who discovers her true identity and offers her a proposition she cannot refuse.

INSIDE THE BEAUTY BUBBLE follows outrageous American roadside attractions. The Beauty Bubble Salon & Museum in Joshua Tree is the magical and kitsch-filled brainchild of "hairstorian," artist, hairstylist, musician and renowned collector of hair artifacts Jeff Hafler. One of his staff recalls, "he gave my very first hairstyle in fifth grade. That was the first time I can remember feeling beautiful." BEAUTY BUBBLE, screening June 14, covers a year in the life of this beloved Joshua Tree community member and his roadside attraction.



COVID-19 GROUND ZERO

more than that is possibly too much to expect. It's VHS, it's Beta; it's cheap, it's cheesy; it's reassuring while being out on a limb.

Stigmatized since childhood by her love of the rock band Journey, Maya (producer/writer/actress Erika Hamilton) finds her voice in a world where she doesn't always feel "Black enough." That premise

The festival has four other sections: Downbeat (music videos); Global (world shorts); Midnight (horror); TV pilots; and Kidz! Welcome a world-class showcase of new and undiscovered talent.

Dances with Films (DWF 25), TCL Chinese Theatre, 6801 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood. June 9-19, 2022 www.danceswithfilms.com/schedule

## MUSIC/ENTERTAINMENT

## The Temecula Wine & Music Festival June 18th

By Contributing Writer

he Temecula Wine & Music Festival will be held on June 18th 2022 and has been one of the most popular festival events in the Temecula Valley for the last 17 years. Its main goal has been to promote the lifestyle of the valley and support local charities throughout the years we have supported numerous organizations such as the Shriners Hospital for children, The Boy and Girls Club, All from the Heart supporting military veterans and more. The festival is a concert and wine tasting event with gourmet food trucks and other alcohol and Beverage options.

Featuring vocalist Larry Braggs, sax man Michael Paulo, bass virtuoso Brian Bromberg, pianist Tatung Kati dig , vocalist Kiki Ibsen, Saxophonist Kinaki, vocalist Rebecca Jade ,San Diego's finest jazz guitarist
Patrick Yandel , saxophonist Will Donato,
drummers Sergio Gonzales & Vinnie Agues
percussionist Diol Saucedo and more.
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Tower of Power, Jennifer Lopez, Miles
Davis, Chicago, Jeffrey Osborne, David
Benoit, and more!

Benefitting Animal Friends of the Valley and National Association of Music Angels nonprofit donating music instrument for kids in need. Come and experience music all day long and wine tasting all day long at the beautiful Mantellone Meadows Ranch located just off the 15 and 215 freeways. The festival is always fun, relaxing and all for a good cause helping out local charities. We will offer live and silent auction items



during the event. 100 percent of all proceeds go to charity. This year, it has moved moved to a beautiful new venue and have scaled back the event for only 500 people.

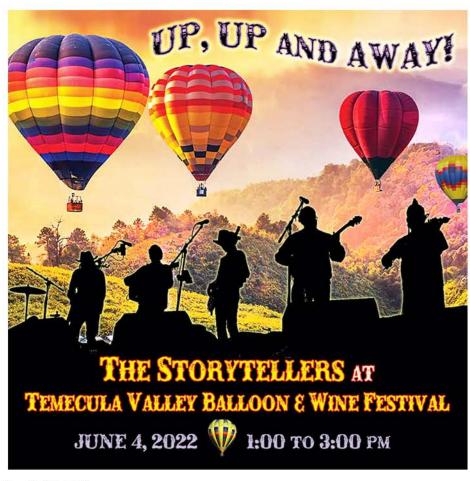
It will be nice and intimate and outdoors under the trees at Monteleone Meadows. Ten artists will be appearing with an eclectic line up of world class singers and instrumentalists. So happy to bring in the incredible vocalist Larry Braggs to perform as well. You may have seen him sing with the legendary band Tower or Power and the timeless Temptations recently. Also featuring world renowned bassist Brian Bromberg.

If you have never seen him play live his bass playing is electrifying and he is one of the worlds' best.

From Jazz, Pop and R&B music we have it all. We will also be raising money from two local charities. One NAMA benefitting young musicians and the other Animal Friends of the

Valley. They have been around for over 35 years! Great Live and silent auction items will be available. 100 percent of the proceeds goes to charity there will be wine and spirits, Beer and gourmet food trucks onsite. Come and enjoy a relaxing day in the Temecula Valley All for a good cause! Table seats almost sold out. Reserved theater seats available. Ticket prices \$45 to \$95. The best value in the Valley!

The Temecula Wine and Music Festival is back June 18th for more info visit: https://temeculawineandmusicfestival.com





By Contributing Writer

## OF WEBSITES EXPLA



here are over 1.7 million websites worldwide, a number that climbs every day. Whether you're considering joining that number or wondering what kinds be interested to know that the majority of websites fall into a few common categories.

#### **E-commerce Websites**

These websites allow you to sell products to people. Examples include Educational Websites big-box retailers like Amazon or Best Buy, as well as companies like Etsy that sell handmade products. Websites offer the ability to put items in a cart and check out. **Business Website** 

These websites act as dedicated online addresses for a specific business or brand. A business website will list a company's products, services, or past work. It will also include contact information. Landing Pages

#### Personal or Portfolio Websites

These showcase the contact information, products, services, and work of an individual. However, they often focus on past work, acting as a literal portfolio.

#### **Entertainment Websites**

These website options are great for anyone with a taste for humorous or interesting content. Sites like Buzzfeed offer listicles and critiques on pop culture, for example, and sites like CollegeHumor present funny entertainment.

#### **Media Websites**

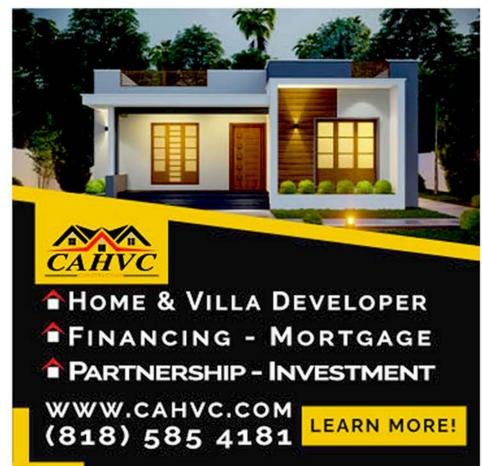
Media websites offer articles, of websites you can check out, you might videos, and guides. They can overlap with entertainment websites, as in the case of The Onion, but the most prominent include media properties that also exist as newspapers or print magazines.

These websites include universities and other institutions, or they may include sites like Coursera, which offers online distance learning from a variety of sources.

Blogs come in many shapes and sizes, with some offering videos and photos while others stick to the traditional, text-based "web logs." Blogs discuss a huge variety of topics.

Landing pages get a reader to follow through on a single course of action, like buying a product or downloading a guide. Consider the Types of Websites You See

These are just a few of the most popular websites, but there are countless other types to choose from. If you're interested in creating a website, consider the websites above, as well as the websites you often interact with.

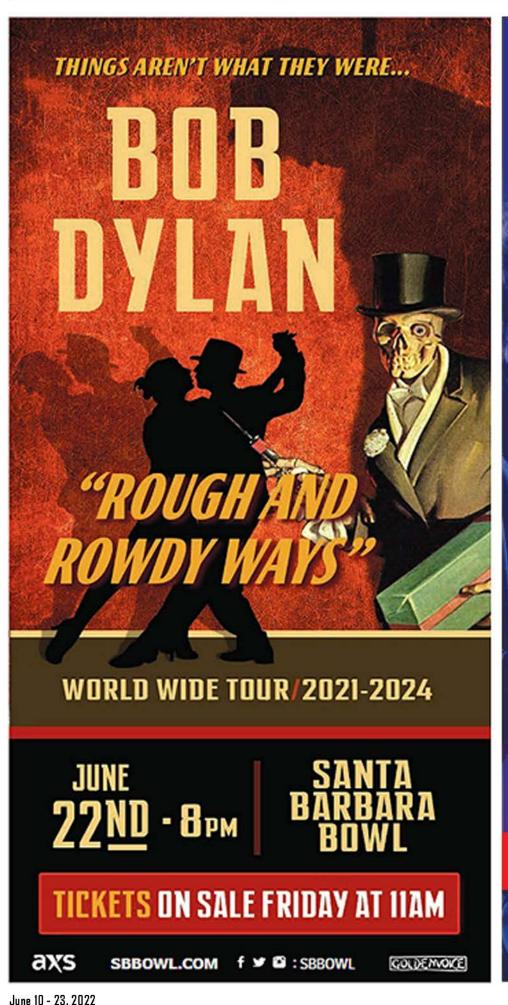








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#### SPIRITS/TASTES

## Scotch Loving Dads Father's Day Wish List

By Guest Writer, T.C. Rachel

Father's Day is upon us, and while I am not a father myself, I do have a father (who, no doubt, is anticipating our annual tradition in which I send him the most embarrassing Father's Day card money can buy). Still, it has been pointed out to me that I have cultivated a very dad-like sensibility in midlife, which I now gleefully lean into. This has meant developing a profound appreciation for Macallan Scotch, buying my first grown-up watch (a Hublot), and making myself feel more like an adult by choosing the perfect fountain pen to nonchalantly toss on my desk.

The Best Macallan Scotch to Drink Right Now

Founded in 1824, Macallan was one of the first legal distilleries in Scotland. Since then, the company has turned the production of fine whisky into an art. Learn about their finest "expressions" here, including one incredibly rare bottle.

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serve.





and floral whiskies, as the shape of the glass focuses the subtle floral notes. Both of these glasses are handcrafted, elegant and delicate, and come with a glass lid to keep the aromas in the tasting glass. They cost

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## CASUAL CONNDISSEUR

## JUST IN TIME FOR SUMMER: THE FINEST MEAT DELIVERED TO YOUR DOOR

By Contributing Writer

BQ season is here! Everyone is ready to spend time outdoors, grilling with

friends and family. Nothing says summer more than flame-kissed, sticky, and saucy hamburger or juicy steak. If you are a foodie elitist, you'll want to start with the best ingredients!

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A charcoal grill is often the best option when cooking meat. However, not all meats suit the smoky nature of grillers. Here are some of the best meats when grilling on charcoal.



#### #1: Prime Rib Steak

Meats with marbling always taste delicious when cooked on a grill. Season the steak with a rub mixture before placing it on heat. It will take fifteen to twenty minutes to cook.

#### #2: Chicken Barbeque

Grilled chicken comes in many forms, from boneless, bone-in, wings and chicken cutlets and thighs. Any foodie knows the best way to enjoy chicken is at a BBQ!

#3: Baby Back Ribs

No BBQ is complete without baby back ribs. And while it's common meat to pair with your charcoal grill, it requires a slow and low grilling process. Don't add too much sauce.

#### #4: Burger Steak

When grilling burgers it's best to keep cooking temperature in check. One miscalculation could result in an overdone or undercooked burger.

#### #5: Flank Steak

Flank steak is undoubtedly flavorful. Before putting it on the hot grates, ensure that the meat is thawed accordingly.

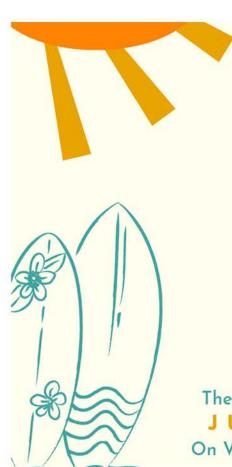
If you want a mouth-bursting flavor, marinate your steak. Put it in a sealed container and lett it sit in the refrigerator for food safety.

#### Rub Recipe

Rubs pull moisture from the air, while drawing juices from the inside of the meat.

Combine 1 tablespoon each of cumin, paprika, granulated garlic, granulated onion, chili powder, cayenne pepper, black pepper, and white pepper with two tablespoons kosher salt and 1 tablespoon brown sugar. Combine ingredients in a bowl and mix well.

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## GREAT ESCAPES

#### Vacation Ideas To Honor Our Oceans

By Contributing Writer

ravel is expected to return to normal this summer. We've rounded up four resorts and tour operators -- from the Bahamas, Hawaii, the Maldives and Mexico -- that are committed to ocean conservation. Atlantis Paradise Island

Atlantis Paradise Island has been a leader of environmental efforts in The Bahamas and Caribbean region for 17 years. It is also home to the largest open-air marine habitat in the world, encompassing 14 lagoons, eight million gallons of ocean water and more than 50,000 aquatic animals representing over 250 marine species, allowing guests to learn about the oceans' most amazing inhabitants.

Atlantis' guests have contributed more than \$5 million to Atlantis Blue Project Foundation, dedicated to saving the ocean.



including critically endangered species, creating and managing coral nurseries, rescuing and rehabilitating marine animals in their hospital.

marine experts – including biologists, aquarists, veterinarians and lab technicians – who rescue, rehabilitate and care for marine animals and contribute to the research of over 250 species. Visit https://blueprojectatlantis.org for more information or www.bahamas.com/hotels/atlantis to book a stay.

The foundation has a team of

#### Maui's Pacific Whale Foundation & Eco-Adventures

Pacific Whale Foundation (PWF) is a non-profit organization, established in 1980, that focuses on research, education and conservation programs to save whales, dolphins and the world's ocean. Based in Hawaii, PWF has teams in Australia, Ecuador and Chile. The Foundation makes it fun and easy for people to get involved in conservation.

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each month for a year. This helps with PWF's current marine debris research, educational programs and advocacy. Visit pacificwhale.org/adopt-a-beach.

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Encourage your child's classroom to take a PWF Virtual Keiki Whale Watch. The program brings the whales to students via one-hour live sessions offered weekly. The virtual program features footage off the coast of Maui, simulating the experience of an in-person whale watch. It also includes a library of online lessons and lesson plans that can be shared with students through hands-on activities. The virtual program can accommodate up to 70 students and costs

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\$50. Visit www.pacificwhale.org/education/keiki-whalewatch/ to purchase. Six Senses Laamu Maldives

Six Senses Laamu, Maldives is a resort with its feet in the sea. It is also at the forefront of preserving marine ecosystems and coral colonies. The resort employs a team of 10 marine biologists who work closely with the Maldives Underwater Initiative (MUI) – a collaboration with three NGO partners: Manta Trust, Blue Marine Foundation and Olive Ridley Project – to lead the way in the tourism sector with meaningful conservation efforts based on guest education, research and community outreach. The resort offers various conservation programs.

The resort believes the next conservation innovation will come from someone under the age of 20, so they are educating and empowering 6 to 16 year olds. Guests can "be a marine biologist for the day" but the seven-module program at Six Senses Laamu, with one-on-one mentoring from the 10-person team, gives participants the tools to continue their conservation crusade when they return home.

The resort also goes a step further in donating 55 reverse osmosis water filters to schools in Laamu, which means 3,949 students and families now have access to safe, reliable drinking water, and will avoid bringing over 1,360,000 single-use plastic water bottles to school each year. Andaz Mayakoba Resort Riviera Maya

Andaz Mayakoba Resort Riviera Maya has a partnership with Oceanus, a Mexican nonprofit organization dedicated to the restoration and conservation of coral

Andaz guests are invited to participate by donating one dollar per night of stay, which is then matched at 120% by the property. 100% of donations have supported the installation of new coral nurseries and Oceanus has been able to plant 1,000 new colonies per year. The resort has multiple initiatives, including wildlife monitoring, sea turtle conservation, and coastal restoration.

#### About World Oceans Month

World Oceans Month was launched to remind everyone of the role the oceans have. The ocean provides most of the oxygen we breathe. World Oceans Month's purpose is to share the impact humans have on the ocean and encourage all to be citizens of the ocean.

PWF invites individuals to "adopt" a stretch of shoreline that they will clean and record the amount and type of marine debris found at the same time



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Improve Your Tennis
Game With These
Easy Tips

By Contributing Writer

f you are a beginner at tennis, it might be frustrating. It's time for you to step up to the challenge, and start thinking about improving your tennis game.

There are 17.84 million tennis players in the United States alone. That's a lot of company for you.

Tennis tips will help you improve your game, but the main thing that you need to focus on is to amp up the hours that you play. Without consistent practice, your game will stutter and die.

#### Don't Skimp on the Equipment—Get a Good Tennis Racket

Do not pick up an old tennis racket that your grandfather owned and start hitting the tennis courts with that. If you want to become better at the game, you are going to have to work with the proper equipment. This means, f iguring out which tennis racket

to buy based on your height, and playing ability.

#### Do a Proper Warmup and Cool Down

When you get to the court, you are probably in a hurry to get started, especially if someone is waiting to get on the court after you. But don't skip warmups and cooldowns.

Take five minutes to stretch out your hamstrings, calves, and shoulders. Your body will thank you for it. Not only that, after a vigorous game, don't forget to cool down, by doing a few stretches, or running a slow lap.

#### Do Not Forget About Staying Hydrated

It's the basics that the beginners forget about. A list of tennis tips would not be complete without chatting about the importance of staying well-hydrated and refreshed. Don't skimp on the water, before playing, or during it.

Take little sips between games,

and ensure that you don't overdo it.

#### Take Frequent Breaks and Contemplate Your Game

Beginners are in a hurry to become better at the game, and even becoming as good as the pros. But you can't do this if you don't regularly take breaks in your game and observe how you played.

#### Practice Regularly Without Fail

It's easy to get enthusiastic about something at first and then forget about it after a while. But as with any sport, tennis needs regular and consistent practice. This means, playing tennis once or twice a week, without fail. This is a minimum. The more you play, the better you will get at the game. This is an easy trick that most beginners forget about.

#### Take Some Lessons From a Coach It's Worth It

You don't need to spend hundreds of dollars on lessons, but a few lessons with an objective and experienced tennis player will do you a world of good. They will be able to see flaws in your game, that you wouldn't be privy to.

This way you can start improving your game from

the get-go, rather than sticking with bad habits throughout your tennis career.

#### Supplement Your Tennis Game With Aerobic Workouts

Tennis isn't fun when you get tired after a game or two. Being able to keep up and stay in the game, hour after hour is what keeps things interesting.

To build your stamina, do some extra aerobic workouts on the side. Running is a great add-on. If you are worried about your knees, then go swimming instead.

#### Watch How the Pros Do It

Watching the Tennis Pros isn't so

that you feel terrible about your game and quit, but to improve your game.

Follow Tennis enthusiast Prabir Purohit's lead. Even though he's a competitive amateur tennis player, he watches as many pro games as he can so that he can learn from it, and improve his own game.

#### Learn How to Hit the Tennis Ball at the Right Place

You should always aim to hit the ball at waist height. Not higher or lower. Remember that it's easier to hit the ball after it's bounced and is on its way down from the highest point in the air.

If you are unsure about where you are hitting the ball, get someone to videotape you, so you can watch yourself in action.

#### Take It One Game at a Time

It's easy to be harsh on yourself for not being a great tennis player. Chill out. It took professionals years to get to where they are – what makes you think you can do it in a few months?

Take it one point at a time. Don't berate yourself for the games you lost, and focus on the present game. This way you can keep your head in the game, and your enthusiasm for tennis high.

#### Tennis Tips Only Work if You Apply Them to Your Game

Tennis tips are useless if you don't actually apply them to your tennis practice. If you are wondering how to play better, then start by taking one tip from the list and applying it to your game.



## IN THE WILD

## PENGUIN CHICK HATCHES AT THE AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC

By Contributing Writer

#### The new arrival hatched as the Aquarium opens its new Babies! exhibition

A baby Magellanic penguin chick recently hatched at the Aguarium of the Pacific. The chick is currently in a nest with its parents in one of the burrows behind the scenes of the June Keves Penguin Habitat, and you will be able to visit the live webcam to see the nest. It will live there for a few weeks before moving to the Aquarium's behind-the-scenes penguin nursery. Aquarium visitors will be able to see the chick and learn its sex when it joins the adults in the penguin habitat in the fall. The penguin parents who hatched the chick were Robbie and Kate, who were paired together for the first time this year. The Aquarium's penguin breeding program is part of the Species Survival Plan administered by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. This plan ensures the genetic diversity of the Magellanic penguin population living at zoos and aquariums.

Magellanic penguins usually lay two eggs at a time. The penguin parents take turns incubating the eggs, which will hatch after thirty-eight to forty-two days. At the Aquarium, babies stay with their parents in the nest for about twenty days. Then, the babies are ready to leave the nest and head to the behind-the-scenes penguin nursery, where they can learn important skills like swimming, eating fish and squid staff members offer them, and how to otherwise interact with humans. At this vulnerable stage before their



feathers are watertight, it is much safer for the penguin chicks to stay in the nursery until about three months have passed and they have fledged, or replaced their last set of downy feathers with watertight adult feathers.

Magellanic penguins are native to the coasts of Argentina and Chile in South America. In the summer they are found in land-based breeding colonies. In the winter migration season, they are at sea foraging, often following schools of anchovies, their preferred food. They are one of four species that are called banded penguins in reference to the distinctive black

and white bands around their faces and bodies. Their relatives are the African penguin (S. demersus), Galapagos penguin (S. mendiculus), and Humboldt penguin (S. humboldti).

Visitors can also learn more about the Aquarium's work caring for baby animals like penguins and its role in helping threated and endangered species in California when they explore the new Babies! exhibition. They can watch the antics of rescued baby sea otters in the Aquarium's Northern Pacific Gallery. Then they can explore over a dozen exhibits featuring more young animals in the all new Babies! exhibition inside Pacific Visions on the second floor. There they can meet little sharks, a young desert tortoise, baby clownfish, miniature sea jellies, and other animals.

AQUARIUM: The nonprofit Aquarium of the Pacific is a community gathering place where diverse cultures and the arts are celebrated and where important challenges facing our planet are explored. The Aquarium is dedicated to conserving and building nature and nature's

services by building the interactions between and among peoples. Home to more than 12,000 animals, Aquarium exhibits include the new Babies! exhibition, Pacific Visions, Shark Lagoon, and the June Keyes Penguin Habitat. Beyond its animal exhibits, the Aquarium offers educational programs for people of all ages, including First Wednesdays featuring guest speakers. The Aquarium offers memberships with unlimited FREE admission for 12 months and other special benefits. To make a donation to help support the Aquarium, please visit Pacific.to/donate. To visit, advance reservations are required for everyone and can be made at aquariumofpacific.org or by calling (562) 590-3100. The Aquarium of the Pacific is located at 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach, CA 90802



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## Hartley Botanic By Contributing Writer Aluminium Greenhouses



or over 80-years, Greenhouse and Glasshouse manufacturer Hartley Botanic has been making stunning handmade, made-to-order horticultural buildings,. Founded in 1938, the company was the first to develop and make entirely aluminium structures, representing a new class of Greenhouse building. Hartley Botanic has built a name and reputation amongst the horticultural elite. receiving commissions from some of the world's most eminent gardeners, designers and horticultural institutions. Last year, the business received a Queen's Award for Enterprise in the International Trade category, for Outstanding Short-Term Growth following a 144 percent increase in its overseas sales over the last three years, and the subsequent transformation of its strongest markets.

Despite being the 'Aston Martin' of the Greenhouse and Glasshouse world, never compromising on quality, the company still maintains its charm and down-to-earth service. Whether customers are ordering a small patio Greenhouse or an impressive Victorian Grand Manor Glasshouse, the factory has an 'open door' policy with customers able to come and see its products being handmade, or just enjoy a northern brew.

Hartley Botanic was founded in 1938 by brothers Vincent and Norman Hartley. Vincent created many of the iconic products used during the war years. His inventions included a headlight cowl used to mask car lights, 'everlasting' aluminium plant tags and the Hartley 'safeboil' which prevented the boiling over of milk. His crowning achievement came when he created a solely aluminium and glass Greenhouse, marking a huge step forward from its wood and wrought iron counterparts. In using aluminium, Vincent and Norman Hartley were able to create a Greenhouse which both maximised light and celebrated design. They were the first to employ aluminium purlins and joints to create spacious, elegant interiors free from internal bracing, presenting an optimum area for natural

light. Their aim was to create structures which were beautiful, clean, uncluttered and practical.

Vincent and Norman Hartley set about producing 'the finest Glasshouses money can buy.' Hartley Botanic stands firmly behind this standard, maintaining it through an uncompromising approach to craftsmanship.

All Hartley Botanic's Greenhouses and Glasshouses are handmade using the finest materials and represent the highest level of design. From the stainless-steel fittings and



durable polyester powder coated finish, to its extruded aluminium alloy sections, each element speaks of fine workmanship and a commitment to enduring strength, longevity and performance.

Every Hartley Botanic Greenhouse and Glasshouse is unique, designed in collaboration with the customer. The company offers different model styles which are customised according to the garden site, growing requirements and taste. The range of beautiful and elegant structures means Hartley Botanic can create designs that are distinctive and unique. The Victorian, Heritage and Modern Glasshouse ranges are so comprehensive you don't have to go anywhere else. Tasteful colour options are available such as Verona Stone and Olive Leaf, as well as internal glazed partitioning to create different growing zones. Accessories such as staging, shelving, decorative finials and integrated aluminium cold-frames also further personalise this garden building.

Hartley Botanic Greenhouses and Glasshouses truly stand the test of time and become heirlooms. The company are regularly contacted by customers requesting parts for their decades-old Greenhouses. This longevity is even experienced by customers who reinstall their Greenhouses within a new property. Some of Hartley Botanic's original structures are also still standing and in full use. The company offers a 30 year 'lifetime' guarantee. Customers are making an investment which will stand the test of time.

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## **NEWS OF THE WEIRD**

### CROSSWORD

By Andrews McMeel Syndication Top Stories

More than 800 New Yorkers aged 75 and older are going to get a new friend, The Verge reported. The New York State Office for the Aging is distributing robot companions named ElliQ, built by Israeli company Intuition Robotics, to help with social isolation -- for example, engaging in small talk and helping contact loved ones. "It focuses on what matters to individuals: memories, life validation, interactions with friends and families," said NYSOA director Greg Olsen. Intuition Robotics said ElliQ can project empathy and form bonds with users, even cracking jokes for users who tend to laugh a lot.

According to the Conrad Public School District in Conrad, Montana, there's an old law on the books that stipulates that a school principal is responsible for feeding and tending a horse if a student rides it to school. On May 23, WTHR-TV reported, 12 students at Conrad High School put the statute to the test, riding their steeds up to the school and leaving them in the care of Principal Raymond DeBruycker throughout the school day. Apparently DeBruycker had no time to comment while he kept his charges watered and fed and (presumably) mucked the parking lot.

A man in Japan identified as Toko has spent almost \$16,000 to make himself look like a collie, fulfilling his dream and depleting his savings in one fell swoop, Wionews reported. Toko contracted with a professional company called Zeppet, which makes sculptures and costumes for movies and amusement facilities, to create a costume that is extremely realistic. It took 40 days to build. "I made it a collie because it looks real when I put on," Toko said. "Long-haired dogs can mislead the human figure. I met such a condition and made collie, my favorite breed of dog."

The Cambodian Ministry of Environment has taken to Facebook to plead with the public to stop picking a rare carnivorous plant known as a "pitcher plant" for the way it captures insects, Live Science reported on May 17. The plant, Nepenthes bokorensis, could be driven to extinction if people continue to harvest it, scientists warn. So why, you might ask, are people, particularly women, so drawn to picking the plants and

having their photos taken with them? While the leaves are still developing, the mouths of the plants resemble men's genitalia. "If people are interested, even in a funny way, to pose, to make selfies, with the plants, it's fine," said Francois Mey, a botanical illustrator. "Just do not pick the pitchers, because it weakens the plant."

Iberia Parish (Louisiana) Sheriff's officers were called out at 3:30 a.m. on May 22 because of a house found abandoned on a trailer attached to a truck, KATC-TV reported. The rig was blocking the road, and signs, mailboxes and trees had been damaged along the street. In addition, power lines and poles had been hit, knocking out power to about 700 customers in the area. Deputies arrested Tony Domingue, 46, and Nico Comeaux, 32; they had been told they needed permits to move the home, but they went ahead and tried to do it on their own anyway. Both men were held at the Iberia Parish jail.

Florida International University recently published a three-year study of bonefish living off the South Florida coast that might make you rethink your entree order. The fish they studied averaged seven pharmaceutical drugs, with at least one containing 17 different substances, ClickOrlando.com reported. Lead researcher Jennifer Rehage said the drugs are entering the fisheries through the wastewater systems and include blood pressure medications, antidepressants, antibiotics and pain relievers, among other medicines. Researchers said the drugs could also be changing the fishes' behavior, making them more susceptible to predators, or affecting their reproduction.

Marilyn McMichael, 54, of Queens, New York, was reported missing in January by two of her foster sisters, Simone Best Jones and Sharman McElrath, WPIX-TV reported on May 24. They had not seen or heard from her since June 2020, when she called them during the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, saying she wanted to go to the hospital. McElrath said they did go to her apartment, but she didn't come to the door. Best Jones said this wasn't unusual for McMichael: "She wouldn't talk to us for years, because she didn't want to. She was particular — and peculiar." When they tried to file a missing person report in

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## Dodgers' Rare Collectibles: A Hot Ticket

By Contributing Writer

hough they now reside in Los Angeles, the history, lore, and collectability of the Dodgers began when the team played in Brooklyn. In 1957, the Dodgers were lured to the West Coast along with their archrival, the New York Giants, now the San Francisco Giants. Their departure from one of the United States' trendiest cities, Brooklyn, immediately made relics of their time there exceptionally popular.

Nostalgia aside, the Dodgers have actually had more success as a team in Los Angeles than they ever did in Brooklyn (they have won five World Series on West Coast compared to one on the East), which means there's no shortage of collectible goods from the City of Angels, as well.

While the Dodgers are famous for the bevy of great players that have put on their white-and-blue uniforms,

what they are most noted for is the introduction of African Americans to the Major Leagues. In 1947, owner Branch Rickey made Jackie Robinson, an African American, a Dodger. Robinson, a future Hall of Famer and quite possibly the most collected Dodger, would go on to lead the team to its only Brooklyn title in 1955.

In addition to Robinson, the Dodgers have had a slew of other players whose memorabilia are coveted by collectors. Hall of Famers Sandy Koufax (perhaps the greatest left-handed pitcher ever), Duke Snider, Roy Campanella, Don Drysdale, Don Sutton, and Pee Wee Reese all called Ebbets Field or Dodgers Stadium home.

Interestingly, one surprisingly collectible Dodger is little-known Andy Pafko. Pafko's baseball card was the #1 card in the 1952 Topps set, widely regarded as the greatest set ever printed, and thus collectors will go to great





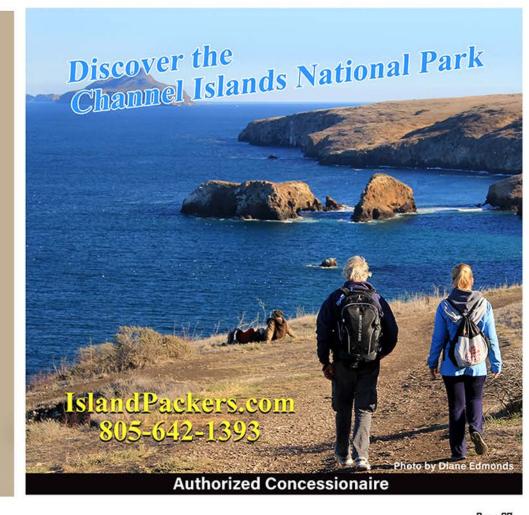
lengths to get their hands on a Pafko, especially in high-grade.

Though the Dodgers possess no shortage of great players, their team memorabilia is some of the most collected around, second only to that of the New York Yankees. For example, Brooklyn Dodgers jerseys and hats remain incredibly popular today. Chief among these is the white cap worn by players between 1914 and 1924—it was lined with blue stripes and accompanied by a blue bill.

Similarly, ticket stubs and game programs, such as one from the 1947 World Series between the Dodgers and the Yankees, are also in demand. So are pennants, which come in felt, cloth, and plastic.

Another source of popular Dodgers collectibles is the now-destroyed Ebbets Field, the former home of the Brooklyn Dodgers. The stadium was considered one of baseball's best parks, and anything associated with it—whether it's a painting, photograph, or porcelain sign—remains collectible today.





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#### **Discovery Cube Los Angeles**

By Contributing Writer

making an impact in Southern California since 2015. Every visit to Discovery Cube pays it forward to the surrounding communities in many ways. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit institution, Discovery Cube is more than just a kid's STEM museum. It's a resource for growth in the greater Los Angeles area. Education programs run by the pillars of Discovery Cube – Educate, Inspire, Impact — instill meaningful values through memorable experiences that last a lifetime.

For almost a decade, Discovery Cube
Los Angeles has grown into a resource-rich,
community driven, fun education hub-spot
for kids. By piquing curiosity, the Cube
aspires to inspire today's youth to believe in
the possibilities of their own creation driving
innovation in the world. These are the values that
are woven into each of the interactive programs
that Discovery Cube offers. Find the Cube at
school in after-school workshops or the online
platform Discovery Cube Connect. Visit during



the summer for summer camp, to host a birthday party, and to explore the museum full of over 80 interactive exhibits including the brand new ones. Drop the kids off for Saturday STEM Club, 4 times a month, to learn a variety of STEM topics from programming to the science of hockey. The museum contains a variety of interactive and hands-on exhibits that teach the history of technology, shows the inner workings of science concepts, and provides an immersive experience for complete understanding and subject retention.

Approaching the Discovery Cube Los Angeles entrance, guests are welcomed by friendly staff and a t-rex looming in the distance. First steps into the museum reveal two floors of active, explorative, and experimental fun. Step into the shoes of a paleontologist digging for fossils and analyzing geodes. Get in front of the camera at the new Cube Studios and report live on environmental news in the area. Learn about the water systems in Southern California through a selection of helicopter tours.



Discovery Cube Los Angeles is the place to be year-round for kids ages 3 to 12 years old.

Visiting Discovery Cube often becomes a family tradition for the families of Los

Angeles. Kids may transition and start finding their interests but Discovery Cube is always a fond memory. The museum has volunteer and work opportunities year-round so lovers of the Cube can return and provide the very explorative experiences they had as a child for someone else.

Discovery Cube members feel confident in their kids' education knowing the various programming and family events throughout the year will inspire future innovators. Being a member means providing access to STEM education in impacted neighborhoods. It means supporting the teachers in your community. You can save yourself some time by becoming a Discovery Cube member. Feel confident knowing you are doing your part to educate your child and to have a positive impact on your community. Become a member today for a year of fun, and a lifetime of value.

Memberships start as low as \$79 and pays for itself in just 3 visits. Exclusive benefits such as exhibit sneak peeks, exclusive events etc. Your membership is valid at both Discovery Cube locations and entitles you to free or discounted admission to over 300 ASTC Science Centers around the world.

www.discoverycube.org/exhibits/emotions-at-play



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# The Importance of Fun Summer Activities for Kids

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ith proper planning, summer activities can help build a child's self-esteem!
This advice to be right-on-track and important for all parents to understand. If we focus on a child's weaknesses, summer activities are likely to feel like a punish-

#### The Importance of Fun Summer Activities

The key takeaway here is emphasized by the word "fun". Many parents look for activities that not only keep their child busy, but also utilize skills that the child already has. While practicing specific skill-sets is important, brain growth actually happens more-so with free play rather than with any other activity, especially during the preschool and elementary school years. Therefore allowing a child to engage in daily, safe, adult-supervised free play will encourage the development of creative skills, resulting in better brain function.

It's also important to note that this particular article makes no mention of math camp, summer literature activities or tutoring. For children struggling with academics, such activities may be required, however allowing those children to also have free play will result in a better attitude and improved academic performance all-together.

#### Fun Summer Activities with Improved Psychological Effects

Finding the right summer activities can also help to improve your child's emotions. The summer is the time to help a shy child feel more comfortable with peers; to encourage a fair athlete to become better; to encourage an interest in theater; to help an obese child to lose weight". If all of these can be done with enjoyment and while creating new friendships, what more can we ask for?





- For ages 9-12: Sleepaway camps, camping, woodworking, canoeing camps. Choose activities that strengthen self-direction and independence.
- For ages 13-15: Choose camps that focus on a single area of interest. This will improve the child's ability to better evaluate specific skill-sets.
- For ages 16-19: Experiences such as living with a family in another country, learning a language, or a residential work experience.
- For College students: Most students want to rest during the summer, but they should also consider a summer internship.



ment rather than an enjoyable opportunity. Further information in the article encourages parents to cultivate skills such as initiative, discipline, patience, frustration, and tolerance, which are all skills used during the academic year. Presenting such skills in a fun way will have positive, long-lasting effects that reflect in a child's school performance.

#### Fun Summer Activities To Try

While looking for summer activities for your child, consider the following suggestions:

 For young school-aged children: Sport camps or mixed activities camps with a strong social component. Focus on social skills more than competition.



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# BEST PLACE TO BUY By Contributing Writer KICKS ONLINE

f you like being in style, then you probably like a nice pair of sneakers. But, finding the best places to buy sneakers can be a bit overwhelming if you don't know where to shop.

The key to finding the best place to buy sneakers is to shop online. That's why we're outlining this comprehensive list of online shoe stores. Keep reading to learn more.

#### These Are the Best Places to Buy Sneakers Online

There are literally hundreds of shoe stores around the world that advertise their products online. Don't be fooled by cheap products and expensive shipping rates.

These are the best places to buy sneakers online:

#### Sneakerboy.com

Sneakerboy is based in Australia and they're known for carrying the world's most wanted sneakers. You can find everything from Nike and Reebok to Alexander McOueen and Raf Simons.

#### Sneakersnstuff

If you're looking for Nike Dames sneakers, you can surely find them at Sneakersnstuff. This store originated as a sporting goods store and gradually became a top seller for shoes and related products. Find Adidas, New Balance, Puma, FILA, and more, all here.

#### Baitme.com

Baitme actually has brick and mortar stores along the Pacific West Coast offering a diverse and eccentric range of shoes and shoe products. If you don't live on the West coast, you can always check them out online.

#### Kith.com

Kith.com has quickly become a powerhouse seller for sneakers online. Last year, they launched the Kith app to make your online shopping experience that much easier. This year, they plan to improve the overall digital shopping experience across all platforms.



#### **Footpatrol**

Footpatrol is best known for carrying products that can be used for the gym. Look for Adidas, New Balance, Asics, Reebok, and Nike shoes at this online retailer from Australia to the UK.

#### Shoepalace.com

Another West Coast brand, Shoepalace.com offers a strong presence of West Coast styles. If you're looking for something unique to add to your shoe collection, this is definitely the place to start. You'll find performance-based brands, too, like Anta and Brooks and Mizuno.

#### Sneakerpolitics.com

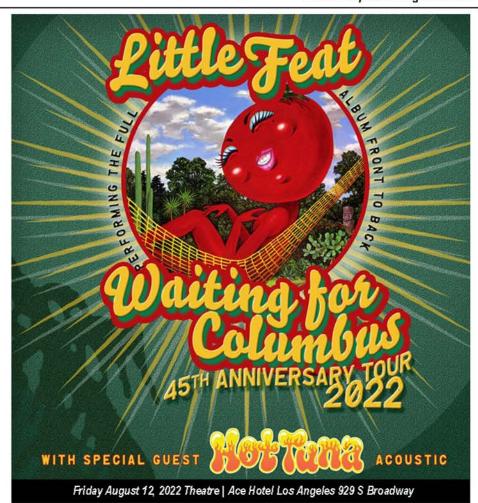
If you want to think outside the box a little bit when it comes to where you usually buy your sneakers, consider Sneakerpolitics.com. They have brick and mortar stores based out of Louisiana with a strong web presence. The regular store and online store sell today's top brands like Adidas, Nike, and Jordan, as well as some niche labels.

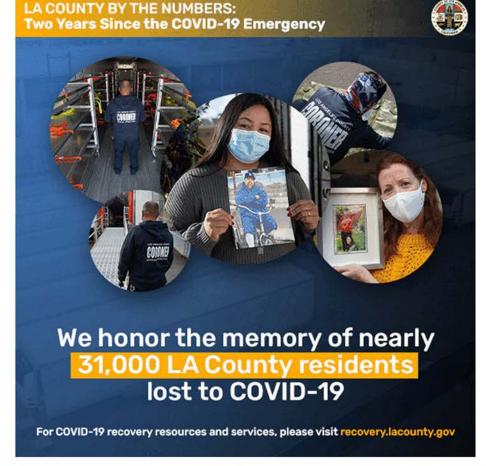
#### Solebox

Based out of Germany, Solebox sells various brands with international shipping available. Not only do they carry the major name brands like Nike, Adidas, and Puma, but they also have a few specialty names like Diadora and Saucony.

#### **Final Thoughts**

Now that you know all the best places to buy sneakers online, you can stock up your closet with all your favorite kicks. The options are literally endless and at your fingertips. You'll be the most in style and pure envy among your friends.





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