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WHAT'S NEW IN OAKLAND

May 2017

Arts & Culture News

"Dorothea Lange: Politics of Seeing" Exhibit Opening This Month at Oakland Museum of California

Gain a new understanding of this beloved American photographer in OMCA's upcoming exhibition *Dorothea Lange: Politics of Seeing*. Through the lens of her camera, Lange documented American life with riveting, intimate photographs that showed the major issues of the times. This spring, view the emotional and political impact of her works in this major exhibition, which coincides with the 50th anniversary of the artist's gift of her personal archive to the Oakland Museum of California. This exhibit is available from May 13-August 13. For more information, visit <http://museumca.org/exhibit/dorothea-lange-politics-seeing>.

Free Oakland Walking Tours Available This Month

From May to October, enjoy free 90-minute walking tours through Oakland's downtown districts. Tours are offered Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10:00 am. Eight Oakland tour itineraries are offered. Private tours are also available for a nominal fee and can be customized to meet your group's interests by combining elements from the eight different itineraries. For more information, visit www.oaklandnet.com/walkingtours.

Hotel News

Dog Hotel, Happy Hound Dog Daycare, Opening in West Oakland

The new Happy Hound Dog Daycare located at 2101 Mandela Parkway in West Oakland, CA, will officially celebrate its new 11,000-square-foot, facility with a Grand Opening celebration on Saturday, May 20 from 11 am to 4 pm. The festivities will begin with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 10:30 am with Councilmember Lynette McElhane, a proclamation from Mayor Schaaf, invited guests and dog lovers. Live music from *The Bonafides*, *Amy LaVere* and *AHAMELE* will accent a day full of pet health and wellness information, doggie kissing booth, pet adoptions with the Hop-a-long Rescue, door prizes, facility tours and an opportunity drawing for round-trip airfare to Hawaii and a free week of boarding for the winner's dog and more! For more information, visit <http://happyhound.com/oakland-location/>.

Special Events

Oakland Small Business Week: May 1-6

The City of Oakland's National Small Business Week is from May 1 to May 6! A variety of workshops and events will be offered, to join the city in celebrating Oakland's vibrant small businesses. For more information about the workshops and events available, visit www.oaklandnet.com/sbw.

Fiesta Sin Fronteras: May 5-6 | Jack London Square & Fruitvale

This is a two-day cultural event centered around the Cinco de Mayo holiday that celebrates Oakland's many connections to Latin America and the immigrant cultures that keep those connections alive. The event bridges two neighborhoods with festivities. On May 5 from 5pm to 9pm enjoy a neighborhood walk from the Oakland Art Murmur to Jack London waterfront featuring music, art, salsa dancing and more. On May 6 from 11am to 4pm the festivities continue in Fruitvale at the Transit Village featuring mariachis, aztec dancers and authentic Latin American cuisine. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/events/407022719669093/.



Oakland Urban Wine Festival: May 6 | Jack London Square

The Urban Wine Festival will take over the waterfront in Jack London Square for an afternoon of drinks, eats and urban fun. The square will be filled with more than 30 Northern California wineries offering tastings, as well as small eats, craft beer, cider, live music, eclectic exhibitors and more. From local foodies to friends and neighbors, everyone is invited to this special celebration of fine wine, delicious eats and good company. A portion of the tasting ticket proceeds will benefit a local charity. For more information, visit www.jacklondonsquare.com/events/special-events.

Colors of Asia, Cultural Fashion Show: May 13 | Oakland Asian Cultural Center

The Oakland Asian Cultural Center is celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with a fashion show! The show will showcase Asian ethnic costumes to educate the community on the beauty and differences of traditional attire. The event will also feature cultural performances such as Indian and Mongolian dance. For more information, visit <http://oacc.cc/events/colors-of-asia-cultural-fashion-show/>.

Chabot Space and Science Center Events

- **Future Friday, Edwin F. Erickson, NASA Ames Research Center (retired): May 5 | 6:00pm-8:00pm**
- **\$5 First Friday, Insects and Exploring Entomology: May 5 | 6:00pm-10:00pm**
Learn about tiny insects in a big way! Explore entomology through hands-on activities and enjoy creepy crawly family fun.
- **Galaxy Explorers and Champions of Science Open House: May 6 | 11:00am-4:00pm**
It's a take-over by some of tomorrow's scientists as Chabot's incredible Galaxy Explorer teen volunteers learn and teach science all year long. The showcase will feature this year's accomplishments from teen led science demonstrations to planetarium shows.

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