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FEBRUARY FUN

•• Tram Tour of Lo-o-o-o-ove & That's Amore Dinner

Friday, February 14th
Tram Tour: 4:00 pm / Dinner: 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm
Descanso Gardens
1418 Descanso Dr., La Cañada Flintridge, 91011
Take a special tour of the most romantic spots in the Gardens— and toast your adventure with a glass of bubbly! \$25/Couple. Tickets available at Ticketweb.com. After the tour enjoy a three-course seated dinner prepared with love by Patina. Toast your romance with a complimentary glass of wine and enjoy the posh ambience of the Boddy House. \$70 - \$78. Reservations: patinagroup.com/descanso
Info for both events at: www.descansogardens.org

•• Cupid's Undie Run

Saturday, February 15th, 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
The Abbey Food & Bar
692 N Robertson Blvd., West Hollywood
Come put the hilarity in charity with hundreds of undie-clad runners taking to the streets to fundraise for the Children's Tumor Foundation. Be a part of something great. Last year Cupid's raised over \$1.3 Million to end NF and we're relying on YOU to join and make this year's fundraising (and party) the biggest and best yet. Start a team, join a team, or just run solo! Arrive early and stay late! \$40-\$50. More info: www.cupidsundierun.com/city/los-angeles

•• Valentine's Day Love Potion Tram Tours

Friday, February 14th, 11:00 am & 2:00 pm
The Arboretum
301 North Baldwin Ave, Arcadia
Do something different this Valentine's Day! The garden is a great place for sweethearts. Take a special tram tour with Frank McDonough, the Arboretum's botanical information consultant who will talk about love potions from the garden. Regular admission applies; members free. \$8 fee for tram tour. Reservations required, please call 626.821-4623. Space is limited. www.arboretum.org

•• 23rd Annual Alhambra Lunar New Year Festival

Saturday, February 8th, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Valley Blvd., Alhambra
Celebrate the New Year with a street festival held on 5 city blocks on Valley Blvd. from Garfield Ave. to Almansor Street. 250 booths with activities, children's workshops, a health fair, cultural demonstrations, giveaways, games, auto square, and ethnic foods. Young and old alike enjoy the exposure to Asian culture and strengthening of community ties this event affords. www.alhambranewyearfestival.com

•• Bonsai-a-thon and Bonsai Workshop

Saturday, February 22nd
Workshop: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Bonsai-a-thon: 10:30 am - 4:30 pm
The Huntington - Botanical Center
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino
Workshop: Learn the ancient art of growing and shaping miniature trees, and then take home a bonsai to nurture and enjoy for years to come. Trees and supplies provided. \$35. Call or register online: www.brownpapertickets.com/event/520774. Bonsai-a-thon: Internationally recognized bonsai masters will share their passion for the art form in this annual event that includes exhibits, demonstrations, prize drawings, a "bonsai bazaar," and a live auction at 3 p.m. each day. www.huntington.org

•• Rose Bowl Half Marathon, 10k, 5k and Kids 1k

Sunday, February 23rd, 7:00 am
Rose Bowl, 1001 Rose Bowl Drive
Half marathon competitors will have an opportunity to run past and through some of Pasadena's greatest landmarks including the Rose Bowl, the Colorado Bridge, the Arroyo Seco, Devil's Gate Dam, JPL, the new Flintwash Bridge and more! The course is scenic, periodically hilly and comprised of a combination of road and trail. About 70% of the course is on the trails near Brookside Golf Course and Hahamongna Watershed Park. \$15 - \$135. www.pacificsportsllc.com

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

•• 47th California International Antiquarian Book Fair

Friday, February 7th - Sunday, February 9th
Pasadena Convention Center, 300 East Green St.
Recognized as one of the world's largest and most prestigious exhibitions of antiquarian books, the Book Fair gives visitors the opportunity to see, learn about and purchase the finest in rare and valuable books, manuscripts, autographs, graphics, photographs and more. Also included is a celebration of William Shakespeare's 450th birthday. \$10 - \$25. More info: www.cabookfair.com

•• 22nd Annual Summer Opportunities Fair

Saturday, February 8th, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Westridge School
324 Madeline Drive, Pasadena
This free event is offered as a community service for families in Pasadena and the greater Los Angeles area facing the dilemma: "What are the kids going to do this summer?" Food and activities make it a fun event for kids of all ages. Over 100 local and international programs are represented covering outdoor adventure, sports camps, fine and performing arts programs, and tutoring. Includes special needs, teen and adult volunteer options. More info at www.westridge.org/sof. FREE! 626.799.1053.

•• Pasadena International Film Festival / Opening Night "Great Gatsby" Gala

Wednesday, February 12th - Friday, February 16th
Various Locations, Pasadena
Pasadena, long known for its love and support of the arts, debuts its own film festival, as filmmakers, celebrities, and the public join together for a festive week of craft, culture, and community. The Pasadena International Film Festival will showcase classics from Hollywood's golden era to new media projects from filmmakers around the globe. Enjoy the "Great Gatsby" Gala red carpet event on Thursday the 13th with cocktails and selections from the Pasadena Symphony-POPS, dinner, drinks, and dancing. 21 and over only, please. Dress: Black tie Optional, 1920's attire suggested. www.pasadenafilmfestival.org.

•• 32nd Annual Black History Parade and Festival

Saturday, February 15th, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
The Black History Planning Committee and the Jackie Jackie Robinson Community Center presents the 32nd Annual Black History Parade and Festival, with the theme "Black History: A Legacy for the Present and Our Future," — with Elder and Mulley to serve as grand marshals. A festival follows the parade until 4:00 pm with entertainment, food & vendor booths and lots of fun. The parade starts at Charles White Park, 77 Mountain View St., Altadena, and ends at Robinson Park, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena. www.cityofpasadena.net

•• DIY Club: Valentine's Day

Friday, February 14th, 4:00 pm
Main Library
600 East Mariposa Street, Altadena
Teen ages 11-17 are invited to make Hershey Kiss Rose Bouquets. Materials will be provided to make bouquets while supplies last. Other crafts and projects welcomed! Make what you love, share what you know, and learn something new! For more information call 626.798.0833 or visit: www.altadenalibrary.org

•• Arroyo Terrace Walking Tour

Saturday, February 15th, 10:00 am
The Gamble House
4 Westmoreland Place, Pasadena
Enjoy a guided walk around the historic Arroyo Terrace neighborhood that's home to nine Greene & Greene houses as well as the works of other noted architects and personal residences of Myron Hunt and Charles Greene. The tour will also visit the elegant Greene and Greene-designed portals and gates of Westmoreland Place. These walking tours, led by Gamble House docents, last about 1-1/4 hours and proceed rain or shine. \$17. www.gamblehouse.org

•• President's Day NASA visit

Monday, February 17th, 9:30 am
Kidspace Children's Museum
480 North Arroyo Boulevard, Pasadena
Meet a NASA official who will present what life is like as an astronaut, lead an informal spacesuit-making workshop, and discuss how NASA uses robotic arms. Guests will also have the opportunity to create autograph books in Flutterby's Art Center. Free with museum admission. www.kidspacemuseum.org

•• 44th Annual Wine and Cuisine Tasting

Friday, February 21st, 6:00 pm / 7:00 pm
Alverno Villa
200 North Michillinda Avenue, Sierra Madre
More than two dozen vintners will be bringing their best wines to sample and local restaurants will be providing hors d'oeuvres that can be paired with the wines. Enjoy live music and Magic Castle magicians and stroll about the Villa sampling the superb wines and appetizers. A silent auction will again be offering lovely artwork, services, tickets to special events, restaurant vouchers, and many other tempting items. \$80 (6:00 early admission), \$60 (7:00 admission). www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org

•• 80's Prom Party

Saturday, February 22nd, 9:00 pm - 1:00 am
The Music Box at Fonda
6126 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood
Come dressed to impress with your best taffeta dress or ruffled shirt! Enjoy Bon Jovi, Prince, Madonna and Journey with the help of Flashback Heart Attack as well as dj sets. The venue will play host to hundreds of partiers, and admission will also include prom pictures. For additional information and to purchase tickets, go to www.80spromparty.com