



## WHAT'S NEW IN LOS ANGELES

Winter 2026

### ATTRACTIONS & ENTERTAINMENT

*Check out the latest in entertainment in Los Angeles from jazz clubs to the upcoming Fast & Furious Hollywood Drift roller-coaster at Universal Studios Hollywood.*

#### SPOTLIGHT ON NEW ATTRACTIONS

##### [Activate](#) (Culver City)

Enter the game where you become the player in the world's first active gaming facility. Jump, climb, problem-solve, and laugh, as you and your friends move between challenges. Each dynamic game room has interactive technology that reacts in real time, ensuring an adrenaline-filled adventure.

##### [Blue Note](#) (Hollywood)

Located in Hollywood, Blue Note L.A. features a year-round lineup of musical entertainment – from local talent to international sensations. Designed specifically for Los Angeles, the venue offers an intimate atmosphere paired with programming on par with its New York counterpart: world-class performances from celebrated icons, rising stars, and genre-defying collaborations. Designed by the acclaimed Legard Studio, the space blends mid-century elegance with the raw energy of classic jazz.

#### COMING SOON

##### [MeowWolf](#) (Culver City)

2026

MeowWolf is an immersive art and entertainment company that creates mind-bending, interactive experiences. Visitors will be transported into fantastical worlds of art and exploration. Each of Meow Wolf's exhibitions feature a unique blend of storytelling, large-scale interactive installations made by hundreds of artists, and cutting-edge technology, making it a must-visit for art lovers, adventurers, and families alike. Los Angeles will get a MeowWolf in 2026 in Culver City.

##### [West Harbor](#) (San Pedro)

Grand Opening 2026

West Harbor is a new waterfront development on the LA Waterfront, delivering group-friendly dining, entertainment, and recreation at the Port of Los Angeles.

- **Now open:** Harbor Breeze Cruises, San Pedro Fish Market, Wheel Fun Rentals, and LA Maritime Institute.
- **Opening 2026:** New dining from Yamashiro and Mike Hess Brewing (20,000-sq.-ft. beer garden), an immersive art experience from Hopscotch, a food hall, King of Padel courts, family attractions, a Ferris wheel, and a 6,200-seat amphitheater with Nederlander Concerts.

Soft opening begins Spring 2026, with full opening in Summer 2026.

### [Samuel Oschin Air and Space Center](#) - Endeavour on Vertical Display (Exposition Park)

2026

In July 2023, the California Science Center commenced Go for Stack, the complex process of moving and lifting each of the space shuttle components into place for Endeavour's upcoming awe-inspiring 20-story vertical display. The new Samuel Oschin Air and Space Center will allow guests to get a closer and more detailed view of the orbiter than ever before. It will also dramatically expand the footprint and impact of the California Science Center, adding 200,000 square feet of space for exhibits, events, and educational programs.

### ["Fast & Furious: Hollywood Drift" at Universal Studios Hollywood](#) (Universal City)

2026

Buckle up! Universal Studios Hollywood has begun testing of its first-ever high-speed outdoor roller coaster, "Fast & Furious: Hollywood Drift". The dynamic new thrill ride will feature 360-degree rotation of the individual ride vehicles as guests travel along 4,100 feet of elaborate track — the equivalent of nearly 12 football fields — constructed with sound reduction technology.

### [Museum of Ice Cream](#) (West Adams)

2026

Just south of the 10 Freeway in West Adams, the Museum of Ice Cream's permanent Los Angeles home is taking shape. On track to open in 2026, the new Museum of Ice Cream will include 15 interactive installations, including a 100-foot-long double helix slide that extends the three-story height of the building, a Santa Monica Pier-themed carnival experience, a tiki bar, and the world's largest sprinkle pool.

### [La Brea Tar Pits Transformation](#) (Mid City)

A reimagined Tar Pits will allow visitors of all ages to better witness and engage with the scientific process as well as more fully enjoy the beautiful grounds of this extraordinary destination. A new 1-kilometer looping pedestrian walkway will weave past the bubbling lake pits and through gardens planted with historical species to tell the story of La Brea Tar Pits from prehistoric time to our contemporary moment. Highlights of the plan include visible fossil labs, engaging and educational excavation sites, expanded green spaces with welcoming shade structures, new public amenities, an updated research wing, and new exhibition building. Details and new renderings will be released in 2026.

## **ARTS & CULTURE**

*As one of LA's defining pillars, Arts & Culture keeps the city on its toes with new exhibits and openings that invite visitors to discover fresh perspectives and unexpected facets of creativity. Explore some of the latest cultural moments taking shape across Los Angeles.*

### **THE LATEST IN LA'S ART & CULTURE**

#### **The Getty Villa Reopens (Malibu)**

The Getty Villa Museum reopened this Summer following a seven-month closure due to the devastating Palisades Fire. In the wake of the fire, Getty's facilities and grounds teams launched an extensive recovery operation.

- **New at the Getty:** *How to Be a Guerrilla Girl* presents the inner workings of the anonymous feminist art collective, featuring archival materials, a new commission, and an in-depth look at their data research, public interventions, and 40-year history of advocating for equity in the art world. The bilingual exhibition (English/Spanish) runs from November 18, 2025, through April 12, 2026.

#### **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LA Opera (Downtown)**

The LA Opera is celebrating their 40th Anniversary Season with a breathtaking production of Bernstein's iconic *West Side Story*. This milestone season holds deep significance for the LA Opera, not only as they celebrate four decades of artistic achievement, but also as it marks the final season of James Conlon's tenure as their esteemed Richard Seaver Music Director.

#### **Becoming Los Angeles at The Natural History Museum of Los Angeles (South LA)**

The Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County reopened the permanent exhibition, *Becoming Los Angeles*, which explores the rich history of Los Angeles and the diverse groups of people that have made the city their home.

#### **60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LACMA (Mid-City)**

LACMA, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, is marking its 60th anniversary this year. The anniversary is being celebrated with the unveiling of a new building, the David Geffen Galleries, which is slated to open in April 2026 and is designed by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Peter Zumthor. While construction continues, the building and its surroundings will start to come to life with the openings of dining and retail spaces, special preview events, and installations of outdoor sculptures, including Mariana Castillo Deball's "Feathered Changes"

#### **Made in LA at Hammer Museum (Westwood)**

Celebrating the diverse and unique LA artists, for the seventh iteration of the Hammer's signature biennial exhibition showcasing artists practicing throughout the greater Los Angeles area. 28 participants in the exhibition present work not only made in the city but also grounded in its complex and unfolding terrain. The works include film, painting, theater, choreography, photography, sculpture, sound, and video. Each engages with this city in ways alternately literal, formal, material, and metaphoric from Freddy Villalobos to Alonzo Davis, Gabriela Ruiz and David Alekhuogie.

### **The Broad Expansion (Downtown)**

The Broad has officially broken ground on the \$100 million dollar expansion project and will remain open during construction. The new building will open to the public before Los Angeles hosts the 2028 Summer Olympics. General admission will continue to be free.

### **OPENING SOON**

#### **Dataland (Downtown)**

*2026*

Refik Anadol Studio presents DATALAND, the world's first Museum of AI Arts, which is set to open in 2026 at The Grand LA, a Frank Gehry-designed development in the heart of downtown Los Angeles. DATALAND will feature art experiences blending human imagination and artificial intelligence, establishing a new model for artistic expression at the onset of the digital age.

#### **Lucas Museum of Narrative Art (South LA)**

*September 2026*

Founded by philanthropist and filmmaker George Lucas and his wife Mellody Hobson, Co-CEO and President of Ariel Investments, the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art will focus on the universal art of visual storytelling. The museum will present exhibitions for diverse public audiences unpacking visual storytelling in its richness and complexity through dynamic learning opportunities and public programs. Designed by renowned architect Ma Yansong and under construction in Los Angeles's Exposition Park, the museum will feature expansive galleries, state-of-the-art cinematic theaters, dedicated spaces for learning and engagement, a new public green space, restaurants, retail, and event spaces.

#### **Frieze Los Angeles (Santa Monica)**

*February 26 – March 1, 2026*

The seventh edition of the fair returns to Santa Monica Airport from February 26 – March 1, 2026 and will feature approximately 100 galleries, an expansive program of ambitious installations, collaborations with nonprofit organizations, and pop-ups from some of Los Angeles' most beloved restaurants.

#### **Destination Crenshaw (South LA)**

*Under Construction*

Destination Crenshaw is the largest public/private Black art program in the nation, transforming a 1.3-mile stretch of Crenshaw Boulevard with an infrastructure project that includes beautifully designed community spaces, landscaping, and newly planted trees, and 100 commissioned works by Black artists. While elevating Black culture, Destination Crenshaw will also boost the community through economic development, job creation, and environmental healing.

## **SPORTS**

*Los Angeles is gearing up to take center stage as a premier host city for the FIFA World Cup 2026, and planning ahead for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The city will host eight action-packed matches, including the U.S. Men's Opening Match and the United States Opening Ceremony. From the electric atmosphere of SoFi Stadium to the global celebration at FIFA Fan Fest™, fans can experience the magic of the World Cup surrounded by the energy, diversity, and star power that only LA can deliver.*

### **NOW PLAYING**

- **LA Basketball is back:** Catch the Los Angeles Lakers, Clippers, and Sparks at their home arenas – Crypto.com Arena in Downtown and Intuit Dome in South LA.
  - **The Los Angeles Sparks New Practice Facility:** The three-time WNBA Champions announced plans to build a world-class training and practice facility in El Segundo scheduled to open in 2027. Purpose-built in partnership with global architecture and design firm Gensler, the 55,000-square-foot facility embodies the Sparks' commitment to innovation, performance, and the holistic well-being of its players. At \$150 million, it represents the largest investment to date in the history of women's sports for a single team.
- **Los Angeles Rams & Chargers** have returned for the regular season. Check out their upcoming games [here](#) and [here](#).
- **Los Angeles Kings** hit the ice now through March at Crypto.com Arena. Check out their schedule [here](#).
- **Los Angeles Soccer Teams (February – October):** Catch a match from one of LA's three professional teams, join fan chants, and book a stadium tour to go behind the scenes.
  - [LA Galaxy \(MLS\)](#) – Play at Dignity Health Sports Park in Carson
  - [LAFC \(MLS\)](#) – Based at BMO Stadium in Exposition Park
  - [Angel City FC \(NWSL\)](#) – Women's pro soccer at its finest, also at BMO Stadium

## **LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (LAX)**

*LA's biggest infrastructure upgrades are well underway, making it easier than ever for locals and visitors to navigate the city.*

### **The Automated People Mover at LAX**

2026

The Automated People Mover (APM) is the centerpiece of LAX's multibillion dollar Landside Access Modernization Program (LAMP) which will enhance the traveler experience, give guests time-certain access to terminals and provide the long-awaited connection to the regional transportation system. This project is a key portion of LAX's \$30 billion modernization program, considered the largest public works program in the history of the City of Los Angeles. It will debut to the public in 2026.

## **TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE**

### **Los Angeles Convention Center**

The Los Angeles City Council voted to approve the L.A. Convention Center (LACC) Expansion and Modernization Project, underscoring the City's commitment to maintaining its status as a world-class destination with a thriving tourism industry. This public infrastructure investment will create more than 15,000 jobs, add \$652 million in General Fund tax revenue over 30 years and draw an estimated \$150 million in additional visitor spending each year. Work on the project is expected to be completed by 2029, with a pause of construction 2028 to allow the Convention Center to serve as an event in the Olympic games.

### **Access To Hollywood**

Hollywood Boulevard has started to undergo a major revamp aimed at improving safety for pedestrians and bicyclists while revitalizing businesses along the boulevard. Named "Access to Hollywood," the project will focus on a 3.6-mile stretch that will include removing some car lanes to install protected bike lanes and dedicated bus lanes, improving crosswalks and widening sidewalks. Progress has been made with new 2.1 miles of parking-protected bike lanes, redesigned street layout to improve safety and decrease speeding and newly painted crosswalks, curbs and street lanes.

### **Metro D Line Subway Extension Project**

Metro is expanding its rail system to the Westside with the D Line Subway Extension Project. This highly anticipated new addition to Metro's network will add a total of seven new stations and a reliable, high-speed connection between Downtown and the Westside. After a decade of construction, Metro now expects to open the new D Line subway between January and March of 2026. The 4-mile Metro D Line Extension (Section 1) extends from Wilshire/Western in Koreatown all the way to La Cienega/Wilshire in Beverly Hills. The project includes three new stations: Wilshire/La Brea, Wilshire/Fairfax and Wilshire/La Cienega. All stations are expected to be open in time for the 2028 Olympics/Paralympics.

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