



**Metro**

## Upcoming Meetings and Events February 2018

### Union Station Happenings

**2018 Union Station Art & Architecture Tours of Union Station:** English, 2nd Sunday of each month, 10:30am - 12:30pm. 2018 dates: 2/11, 3/11, 4/08, 5/13, 6/10, 7/08, 8/12, 9/09, 10/14, 11/11, 12/9. Trained Metro Art Docents lead tours of historic Union Station art, architecture and spaces not generally open to the public, including the Historic Ticketing Hall and former Fred Harvey restaurant. Tours also explore artworks located in the Gold Line Portal, Union Station East and in the Metro Headquarters Building. Tours free and open to the public, no tickets or reservations required.

**Art Tours of Rail Stations:** Regularly scheduled and special tours of artwork in the Metro Rail system. Tours led by trained Metro Art Docent Council volunteers provide insights into the artworks, artists and art-making processes. Tours free and open to the public, no tickets or reservations required. Docents will provide tour attendees with free pre-loaded TAP cards for First Saturday, First Sunday and Segundo sábado tours.

**Valentine's Day Art Tour: Feb 11, 2pm:** Special free Metro Art Los Angeles tour with The Independent Shakespeare Co. Attendees will view works of art and be regaled with scenes involving the tender topic of love from William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" while traveling on the Metro Red Line. Meet at North Hollywood Station entrance. Tour ends at 4pm at Hollywood/Western Station. First 25 participants to show up dressed in their favorite Shakespearian costume will receive a free drawstring backpack filled with exclusive Metro Art swag.

**1st Saturdays, 10am-12pm. 2018 dates:** 2/03, 3/03, 4/07, 5/05, 6/02, 7/07, 8/04, 9/01, 10/06, 11/03, 12/01. Meet promptly at 10 am at the street level entrance to the North Hollywood Metro Rail Station (Red Line) at Lankershim/Chandler.

**1st Sundays 10am-12pm. 2018 dates:** 2/04, 3/04, 4/01, 5/06, 6/03, 7/01, 8/05, 9/02, 10/07, 11/04, 12/02. Meet promptly at 10 am at the information booth inside the entrance to historic Union Station at 800 Alameda St in Downtown Los Angeles.

**2° sábado ¡en español! 10:30am-12:30pm. Fechas de 2018:** 2/10, 3/10, 4/14, 5/12, 6/9, 7/14, 8/11, 9/08, 10/13, 11/10, 12/08. Reúnase puntualmente a las 10:30am en frente de la cabina de información dentro del histórico Union Station.

Info: [unionstationla.com/happenings](http://unionstationla.com/happenings), [metro.net/about/art/](http://metro.net/about/art/) or 213.922.2720.

**Metro Art Presents: The Mudbug Brass Band: Tues, Feb 13, 4-6pm.** Procession begins in Union Station's East Portal. Celebrate Mardi Gras Louisiana-rooted, LA based Mudbug Brass Band. The 8-piece New Orleans Jazz band is dedicated to the Second Line tradition. Second Line parades happen in New Orleans throughout the year, they include a brass band, joyful dancing and participants decked out in brightly colored suits, hats, parasols and banners, blending the formality of a courtly function and the energy of a roving block party. Free and open to the public, no tickets or reservations required.

**Metro Art Presents: Ricardo Lemvo y Makina Loca: Wed, Feb 14, 8-10pm:** Union Station Historic Ticketing Hall. Free kizomba lesson by Chris Kizomba followed by social dancing accompanied by Ricardo Lemvo y Makina Loca. Kizomba is a dance and a style of music that developed in Angola in the 1980s & 1990s. Kizomba derives from zouk, a Caribbean Carnavalesque rhythm originating in the islands of Guadeloupe and Martinique, reminiscent of reggaeton and Brazilian funk. Zouk, which means party or festival, drifted to Angola and mixed with traditional Angolan music and semba, the Angolan origin of Brazilian samba, resulting in kizomba. Free and open to the public, no tickets or reservations required.

*A calendar of Metro art & cultural events, community meetings & events, and business events is available at [metro.net/interactives/calendar/](http://metro.net/interactives/calendar/)*

**Metro Art Presents: The Discovery Project, Fri, Mar 16, 8 -10pm (Doors open at 7pm).** Union Station Historic Ticketing Hall. Southern Californian keyboardist, composer and bandleader Josh Nelson's Discovery Project is an immersive multi-media presentation combining video, performance art, light and art installations launched with his 2011 sci-fi influenced album Discoveries. He followed with 2015's Exploring Mars, which weds evocative musical themes to spectacular NASA/JPL video footage of the Red Planet. His latest, 2017's The Sky Remains, is his love letter to Los Angeles. The third in the series, it unearths hidden gems and little-known stories about the composer's hometown. Info: [www.discovery-project.net](http://www.discovery-project.net). Event is free and open to the public, no tickets or reservations required.

### Metro Bike

**Glendora #BikeSaturdays Feb 10:** Glendora City Hall, 116 E Foothill Bl, Glendora, 91741. Join fellow riders every 2nd Saturday of the month for beginner-friendly rides exploring Glendora's Bike Friendly Business District. This month's 7-mile route will feature a visit to Village Fitness Glendora. All riders will receive a raffle ticket! Meet at 9:30am. Info: [bikefriendlysgv.com/events.html](http://bikefriendlysgv.com/events.html)

**Bike SGV Crush on Bikes Valentine Ride Feb 14, 5:30pm:** Finkbiner Park, 160 N Wabash Av, Glendora, 91741. Ride with your significant other, celebrate friendships, and meet new people who share a love for biking. Ride will begin at Finkbiner Park and end in Glendora Village. Grab a drink or bite to eat after the ride at one of Glendora Village's many eateries. Ride will meet at 5:30pm, roll out at 6pm, and end in Glendora Village 7:30pm. What to bring: -A bike in good working order, helmet required for anyone under 18, water, and bike lights! This ride will take place after dark. CA state law requires a front white light and a red rear reflector when biking at night. The city of Glendora is a part of the Bicycle Friendly Business District project with a goal to make Glendora a healthier, safer, and more bicycle-friendly city. For info, updates, or sign up as a business participant, visit [bikefriendlysgv.com](http://bikefriendlysgv.com).

### On The Move (OTM) Riders Clubs

Metro's On the Move Riders clubs connect seniors to new friends and peers who know the ins and outs of getting around on public transportation. Club activities are tailored to each group and range from sightseeing trips to teaching trip planning. Upcoming outreach and presentation dates:

**20418 Senior Expo, Fri, March 9, 9:30am–12:30pm:** Arcadia Senior Services, 365 Campus Drive, Arcadia, CA 91007. OTM hosts an outreach table to educate older adults how to use public transit.

Info: [metro.net/riding/senior-tips/move-riders-club/](http://metro.net/riding/senior-tips/move-riders-club/), [onthemove@metro.net](mailto:onthemove@metro.net), or 213.922.2299.

### Transit Safety Programs

Metro Transit Safety Programs (TSP) host resource tables and make presentations to provide the community with transit, safety, and project information. Upcoming outreach and presentation dates:

**Law Enforcement Meet & Greet, Thurs, Feb 8, 4–6pm:** Mariachi Plaza, 730 Pleasant Av, LA 90033: Law Enforcement officers from Transit Security, LAPD and LASD will be at Mariachi Plaza greeting patrons and talking about safety.

Info: 213.922.4080 or [TransitSafetyPgm@metro.net](mailto:TransitSafetyPgm@metro.net).

### Purple Line Extension

**Purple Line Extension Section 2: Pre-Construction Community Meeting, Thurs, Feb 22, 6:30-8pm:** Century Plaza Towers, 2029 Century Park E, LA, 90067, Conference Room A, on Concourse level D. Accessible via Metro Lines 728 and 28. Onsite parking will be validated. Join Metro for a project overview, schedule update on advance utility relocation, Constellation Ave, Wilshire/Rodeo, Eat Shop Play, Wilshire Meet project, meet project team members and ask questions. Info: 213.922.6934 or [purplelineext@metro.net](mailto:purplelineext@metro.net).

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### Regional Connector

**Regional Connector: Project Update & All Community Leadership Councils:** Thurs Feb 8, 1:30–3pm, Regional Connector Project Office, 432 E Temple St, LA 90012. The Regional Connector Project Team invites residents and stakeholders to a community meeting to receive project-wide updates.

**1st/Central Station Area Community Leadership Council Committee Meetings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of each month, 3-4pm, 432 E Temple St, LA 90012

**2nd/Hope Station Area Community Leadership Council Committee Meetings:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of each month, 10-11am at Los Angeles Central Library, 630 W 5th St, Mtng Rm A, LA 90071

**Flower/Financial District Area Community Leadership Council Committee Meetings:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of each month, 11am-12pm, Los Angeles Public Library-Central Library, 630 W 5th St, Mtng Rm A, LA 90071

Project Hotline: 213.922.7277. Info: [metro.net/projects/connector/](http://metro.net/projects/connector/) or [regionalconnector@metro.net](mailto:regionalconnector@metro.net).

### Diversity & Economic Opportunity

**Transportation Business Advisory Council (TBAC) Monthly Meetings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs of each month, Metro Headquarters, One Gateway Plaza, LA, 90012. Metro's small business advocacy council provides a forum for owners to discuss topics and issues impacting small businesses, learn about current and future Metro contract opportunities, legislation updates, and current transportation trends. Committee Meeting in 3rd Floor Cafeteria 8:30-9:30am, followed by the Regular General Meeting in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Room 9:30-11am. Register at [metro.net/connect](http://metro.net/connect). Info: Olga Mireya Lopez at [lopezo@metro.net](mailto:lopezo@metro.net).

**How to Do Business with Metro Workshop:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of every month: Metro Headquarters Boardroom, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, One Gateway Plaza, LA, 90012. These 2-hour orientation/business workshops provide info on critical steps to successfully qualify for, bid on, and win Metro project contracts. Procurement staff conducts one-on-one interviews with firms prior to each workshop. Register at [metrodeod.wufoo.com/forms/x57hy003bk3io/](http://metrodeod.wufoo.com/forms/x57hy003bk3io/) by 3pm the day before the workshop. Check-in at 8:30 am, One-on-One with Contract Administrators 9-9:30 am, workshop 9:30-11am. Info: Marisela Villar at [VillarM@metro.net](mailto:VillarM@metro.net) or 213.922.2235.

**MetroConnect - Meet the Primes,** Tues, Feb 20, Registration: 4:30 pm, Event: 5:30 – 8:30 pm. Metro Headquarters, One Gateway Plaza, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Room, LA, 90012. Join us for this one-of-a-kind opportunity to meet and network with the Prime Contractors who work on Metro's projects. Bring business cards and company profiles. Take advantage of the access this event offers and get to know key representatives from prime contracting companies. Refreshments will be served. Questions: contact Jan Davis at 213.922.2235 or [davisj4@metro.net](mailto:davisj4@metro.net).

**Business Interruption Fund Information Workshop:** Tues, February 27, 10–11am, Bru's Wiffle & More, 8635 Wilshire Bl, Beverly Hills, 90211. Metro and Pacific Coast Regional Small Business Development Corporation (PCR) Staff will provide information to small businesses on how to apply for Metro's BIF, provide tips for preparing supporting materials, and answer questions. Metro's Construction Relations team will also provide an update on upcoming construction activities. Info/ RSVP: [bif@metro.net](mailto:bif@metro.net) or 213-922-4258. More info at [metro.net/bif](http://metro.net/bif).