



Local Events

As a service to our studio families and the community at large, we update this list monthly with local events and art shows we love. Have fun!

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Bowers Museum

FAMILY FESTIVAL

September 1, 2019

The Bowers invites you to bring your family for a fun and entertaining day of cultural engagements. Each month highlights a different cultural theme including music, dance, arts, and food. Sponsored by the Nicholas Endowment. Great fun for all ages. The festival is held in the court yard. Admission to the museum is not included.

WEBSITE: <https://www.planadayout.com/Activity/Bowers-Museum/Family-Festival-472>

Sawdust Arts & Crafts Festival

SAWDUST SUMMER FESTIVAL

June 28 - September 1, 2019

Located in Laguna Beach, the world-renowned Sawdust Art Festival is a short walk from one of the most beautiful destination beaches in Orange County. Set in a cool 3-acre eucalyptus grove, the Sawdust is a picturesque and eccentric hand-built village featuring the fine art and crafts of over 200 local artists.

WEBSITE: <https://sawdustartfestival.org>

Festival of the Arts Laguna Beach

SUMMER ART SHOW

July 5 - August 31, 2019

Named one of the top art festivals in the nation, the Festival Art Show features the work of 140 Orange County artist. Various workshops, classes, and musical events are held during this 2-month celebration. Family Art Day will be held on July 14th!

WEBSITE: <https://www.foapom.com/summer-art-show/>

Pageant of the Masters Laguna Beach

AMAZING ARTISTIC PRODUCTION

July 7 - August 31, 2019

This iconic, long-running Orange County tradition combines art-fully costumed people, extravagant sets and theatrical illusion to re-create famous works of art on stage. “The Time Machine,” celebrating the H.G. Wells novel from 1895 and the artists inspired by the concept of time travel, is the theme of this year’s show. Each ticket also allows admission to the Festival of Arts grounds, where original works by dozens of artists are on display and available for purchase. An outdoor amphitheater, professional orchestra, original score, live narration and intricate sets make for an amazing experience!

WEBSITE: <https://www.foapom.com/pageant-of-the-masters/>

City of Costa Mesa

ART VENTURE

Sept 6 and 7

Sept. 6 (5-9pm) – An amazing evening filled with art, live music, and refreshments as we celebrate the incredible talents of local artists with an opening reception and awards presentation. **Saturday,**

Sept. 7 (10am-3pm) – An incredible family-friendly day full of live art entertainment, including musical, theatrical, literary, culinary, and hands-on demonstration

WEBSITE:

<http://artsandcultureoc.com/art-and-culture-event/free-costa-mesa-artventure-3/2019-09-06/>

Muckenthaler Cultural Center

FAMILY FALL ARTS NIGHT AT THE MUCK

Sept 12

Join the annual Fall Family Arts Night, as Muckenthaler opens their art studios for your budding artist to get to see our space and meet some of the on-staff artists. Kids of all ages can come and enjoy as they get their hands dirty trying ceramics, drawing, and painting along with a multitude of other artistic crafts at this free event.

WEBSITE: <http://www.nocchamber.com/events/details/fall-family-arts-night-at-the-muck-23638>

Orange County Museum of Art

FAMILY FREE DAYS

Every Friday

The Orange County Museum of Art in Newport Beach offer free admission every Friday. Families can take a look at a variety of exhibits and learn something new.

WEBSITE: <http://www.ocma.net>

Hilbert Museum

SINCERELY, NORMAN ROCKWELL & THE MAGIC OF MARY BLAIR

Through October 2019

Visit the museum's exhibitions, featuring a drawing of Norman Rockwell's for the Saturday Evening Post, as well as a retrospective of illustrations by the Disney Concept artists Mary Blair, who was the driving force behind the look of "It's a Small World".

WEBSITE: <http://www.hilbertmuseum.com/current-exhibition/>

La Habra Children's Museum

LITTLE PICASSOS

Every Wednesday, 11:00am – 3:00pm

Make a "paint" date every Wednesday at the Museum for lots of messy time exploring color and texture! There are easels, washable paints, brushes and paint smocks ready for little artists to use.

WEBSITE: <http://www.lahabracity.com/349/Childrens-Museum>

Chuck Jones Center

DROP IN AND DRAW

Most Saturdays, 9:30am - 12:00pm

Held most Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM*. It's a great place to express yourself creatively. Good for children of all ages. No unaccompanied minors, please. Free, but a nominal donation is suggested to help cover the costs of materials.

WEBSITE: <https://www.chuckjonescenter.org/calendar>

The Art Lab

CREATION STATION

Saturdays and Sundays, 10:00am - 4:00pm

The Art Lab: Creation Station at the Orange County Great Park in Irvine offers hands-on activities and encourages innovative thinking and problem-solving. Kids of all ages are welcome to participate.

WEBSITE: <https://www.cityofirvine.org/news-media/calendar-of-events/event/creation-stations-4>

Laguna Art Museum

OPEN STUDIO

Saturdays, 11:00am - 2:00pm

Open Studio is a hands-on art-making program offered by Laguna Art Museum on a drop-in basis. Children and their families create a piece of art from start to finish, inspired by one of the exhibitions on view in the museum, adding them on to evolving art installations.

WEBSITE: <https://lagunaartmuseum.org/for-families/>

LA County Museum of Art

ANDELL FAMILY SUNDAYS

Every Sunday, 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Make, look, and talk about art at Andell Family Sundays! This weekly family event features artist-led workshops and friendly gallery tours and activities thematically based on special exhibitions and LACMA's permanent collection. Create memories together and have fun!

WEBSITE: <https://www.lacma.org/education/families-kids-teens#andell-family-sundays>

Bowers Museum

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Various Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays

Kidseum is a high-tech and interactive children's museum with a focus on its mission, "Igniting imagination through exploration," stressing the excitement of art, archaeology and world cultures. From embroidery and sewing, family film nights, to festivals, there is a lot to enjoy at Bowers!

WEBSITE: https://www.bowers.org/index.php/education-programs/family-programs?option=com_yendifevents&view=search&Itemid=820&key=kidseum&cat_id=&venue_id=-1

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WEBSITE: <https://www.ocmaexpand.org/>

ART WALKS

SOBECA "Last Tuesdays" ARTwalk at the LAB, Costa Mesa. Every last Tuesday of the month.

Santa Ana Artists Village Art Walk at the Santa Ana Arts District. Every first Saturday of the month.

Laguna Beach Art Walk at the Laguna Beach Arts District. Every first Thursday of the month.

HB Art Walk at the Huntington Beach Downtown Improvement District. Every third Thursday of the month.

The Art Crawl Experience (ACE) in downtown Anaheim. The second Saturday in August (August 11th, this year), visitors can stroll among outdoor art fixtures, browse through the indie craft fair, and discover pop-up galleries from 6pm – 10pm.

Downtown San Clemente

VILLAGE ART FAIRE

First Sunday of every month, 9:00am - 3:00pm

The Village Art Faire is a decades old San Clemente tradition, born from a desire to put gifted artists and craftspeople in touch with their local community. It has grown to include artists from all over Southern California and attracts visitors from near and far.

WEBSITE: <https://villagesanclemente.org/village-art-faire/>

Know of a great art-related event in Orange County you can share?

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